

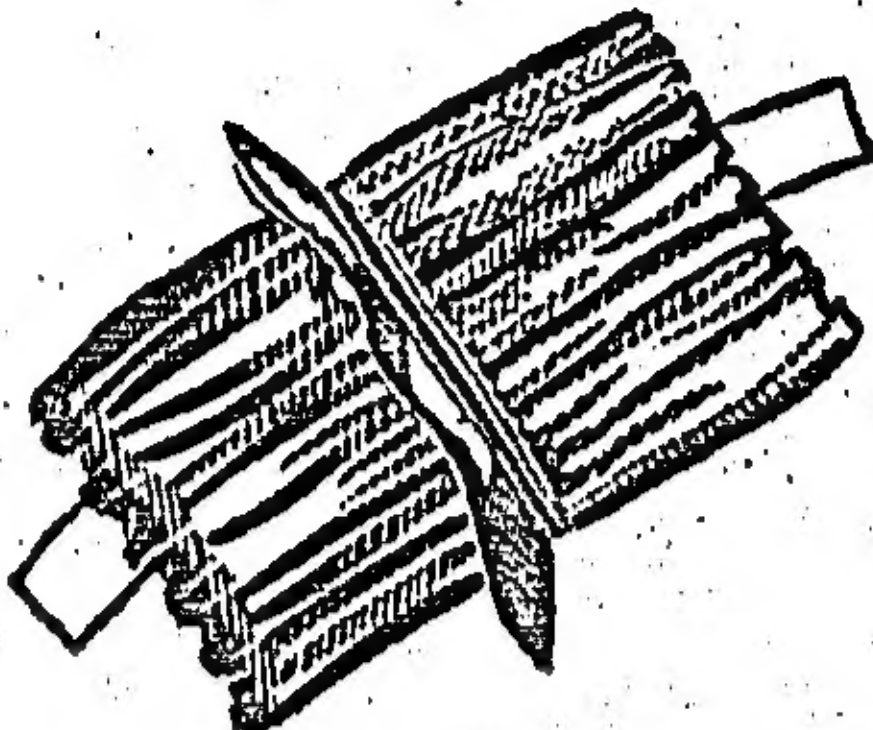
You must have A Little Black Frock because—



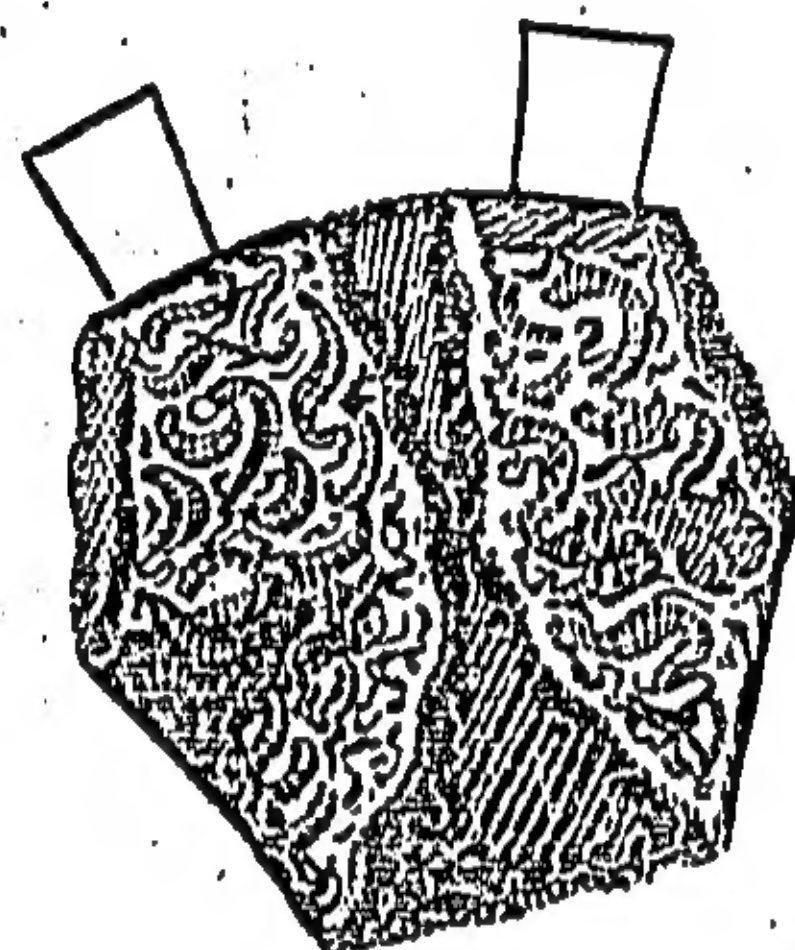
OUT TO LUNCH with several strands of pastel-coloured pearls, two gold clips, and a long gold chain hung with gold shells. On one wrist a thick gold cable bracelet, on the other a bangle of twisted old gold and copper and a wide gold band.

—you can wear it on a hundred different days in a hundred different ways . . . with short coats and long coats, with belts and sashes, with collars and scarves, with necklaces and bracelets . . . or just absolutely plain. Men will always think you well dressed, and women will envy you the different outfits you have for every occasion. Here is the type of frock: black wool marocain, high-waisted and moulded to the figure, quite plain at the back, slightly full in front. Neck is plain and cut high; sleeves are gathered in to just below the elbow. You can wear it—

TO THE OFFICE— belted with a wide band of emerald green crepe, closely draped, but held with a white bone at the back to keep its width, fastening off in a short frill.



TO A CINEMA with a bright magenta - coloured corduroy jacket, quite short and simple, with turn-back revers and long straight sleeves hung with two rows of tiny silver bells instead of buttons.



TO A BRIDGE PARTY with a short sleeveless bolero made of coarse white lace. (Both boleros and lace being stop-press fashion news.)

SURPRISE your last-minute GUESTS with some original quick-to-make dishes

THERE are only two things to do when your husband rings up on Monday night and announces— not without a certain amount of sheepishness—that he'd like to bring home some friends for dinner. Either tell him to take his friends to the club and retire to bed with a book and a pouched egg on a tray or buckle to.

If you're a nice wife, of course, you'll buckle to and make a raid on the store cupboard.

An original first course is difficult to produce at a moment's notice, but here is one which I have found from a fairly wide experience, is a favourite with guests. It requires few ingredients, is quick to make, and our "home-made" name for it is—

Pimento Pie

THE ingredients for a party of four are: 4 hard-boiled eggs, 1 pint of white sauce flavoured with salt, pepper, 1 oz. of parmesan cheese and a tablespoonful of economy cream, and a small tin of pimento.

Boil the eggs hard, cut them into thin slices and arrange them in a greased fireproof dish. Prepare the white sauce, adding the cream and cheese, and pour over the eggs. Place in a medium oven for ten minutes. Meanwhile cut the pimento into long strips about a quarter of an inch wide, and just before serving, decorate the pie with pimento arranged in chessboard fashion.

Follow this course with cold roast beef, sliced and arranged on a dish, garnished with watercress. Serve with it potatoes baked in their jackets and a winter salad.

Most men prefer a savoury to a sweet, and here is one which is a little more exciting than the usual sardine on toast. Its name is—

Baked Roers

FOR four people you will need: Half a pound of herring roes, 1 tablespoonful of lemon juice, 1 1/2 oz. butter, enough grated shallot to tartare sauce.

cover a threepenny bit, a pinch of chopped parsley. The second course I suggest is an other standby in our home as it is economical as well as tasty. It's called—

Fricassee of Veal

THE ingredients:— 1 lb. of pie veal, 1 small shallot, 1/2 pint of white sauce, juice of a lemon, some button mushrooms, and 6 pieces of streaky bacon.

Cut up the veal into small pieces, put them into a saucepan with the shallot and some stock, and allow to simmer for a good hour. Make a white sauce with the stock, and then reheat the veal in the sauce, adding the lemon juice. Place in an entree dish and garnish with rolls of bacon, button mushrooms, and diamond croquettes of fried bread.

Serve with "neals" of mashed potatoes fried in breadcrumbs and filled with a teaspoonful of spinach a la creme.

I suggest as a third course a dish which can be prepared during the afternoon.

Mock Sole

INGREDIENTS are: 1 1/2 lb. of filleted herrings, breadcrumbs, and tartare sauce. Cover the herrings with breadcrumbs and fry in fat as you would sole. Serve on the fish dish, garnished with watercress and lemon and p/leaves.

The tartare sauce is simply made as follows: Beat the yolks of two eggs quickly in a basin, adding slowly drops of oil and vinegar until the basin contains enough sauce for the number of guests. Add one finely chopped gherkin and you have an excellent tartare sauce.

Pamela Marlowe



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Rules For Custard

WHEN making a boiled custard with eggs (two or three eggs to a pint of milk), pour the beaten eggs into warm milk, and not the milk into the eggs. Then put the mixture, with sugar to taste, into a jug, stand in a pan of boiling water over the fire, and stir one way only until it thickens. Don't let it boil. If you follow all these rules your custard will not curdle.

To give the custard a special flavour (such as lemon), let the milk stand over a gentle fire with the chosen flavouring in it and infuse for about twenty minutes before you add the eggs.

Use Glue

IF you prefer to wash your own blankets add a little glue (a small teaspoonful) to the rinsing water. It will give an extra sheen to the blanket and make it look like new.

Soft Chammy

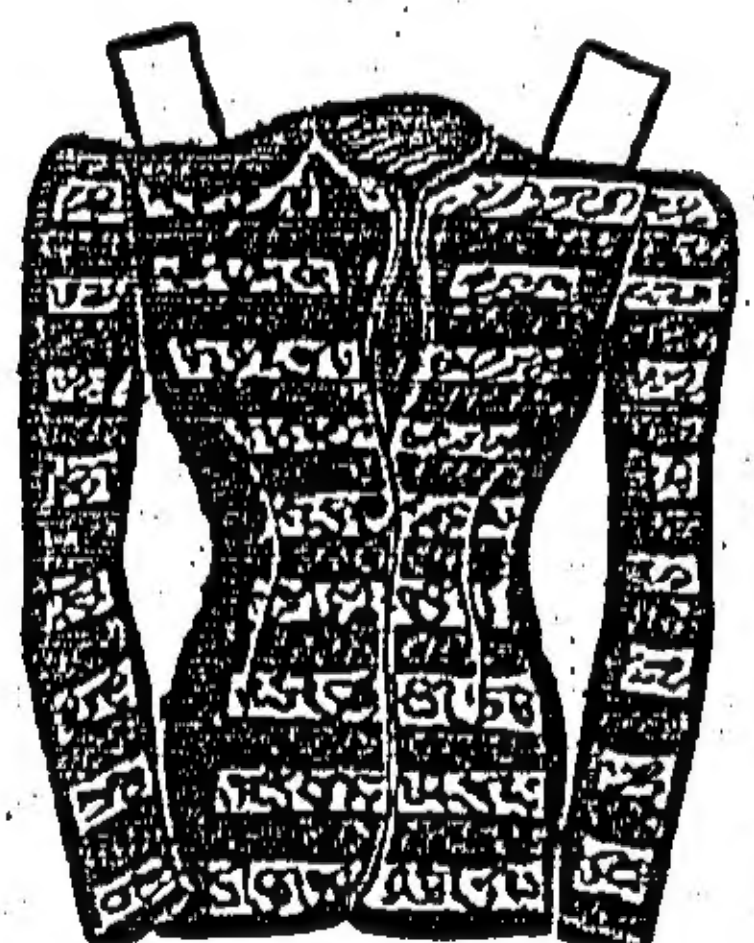
MAKE your chammy leather softer and pliable by adding olive oil (half a dessertspoonful) to the rinsing water. Squeeze and hang out to dry. When dry rub well.

For Flouring

DO you flour your fish and liver on a plate? A better way is to put some flour in a paper bag and shake the fish or liver gently in it. It will be covered evenly and you won't have to wash up a floury plate.



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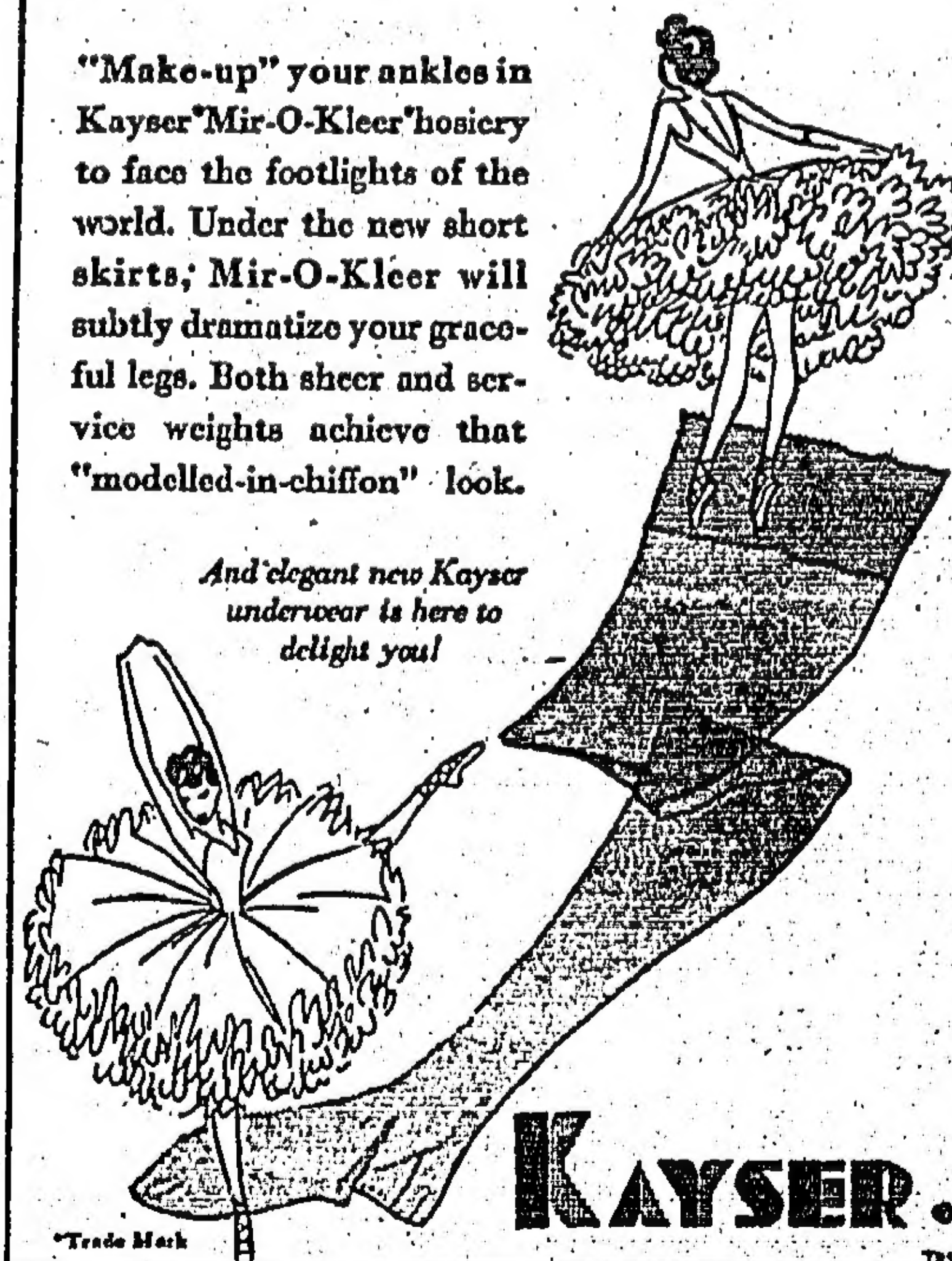
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MISS STANWYCK "I LOVE YOU" TO HUSBAND

New York.

Lovely Barbara Stanwyck, in fighting mood, is determined to appeal against the decision which gives her former husband, Frank Fay, the right to see their adopted son, Dion.

Judge Wilson, of the Los Angeles Court, ordered that when Fay sees the child on Tuesdays and Thursdays and alternate Sundays:

He must have no liquor with him "either within or without."

There must be no friend in the house who has been drinking; and

The child's nurse must be present.

Fay told the court he was now "on the water wagon," and had been drunk only 15 times in his life.

"MY PRAYERS FOR YOU"

Judge Wilson ruled that it was nobody's business how many times Miss Stanwyck saw her friend Robert Taylor.

Two letters introduced as evidence spoke eloquently of the love Miss Stanwyck once had for Fay.

The first, undated, written during a quarrel, said: "I love you just as much as it is possible for a woman to love a man. I cannot imagine life without you, and I am not being melodramatic."

"You were always right about everything, so you must be right about what you want to do. Only please, Frank, whatever you do, love me and wherever you go take me, for there I will be content. With all my heart, God bless you—Barbara."

In a second letter dated November 17, 1934, she regretted not sending Fay a birthday present. "No diamonds, no watch, no anything. When my prayers are heard in heaven, and I hope mine are, they are filled with you and for you."

"And so, Frank, all I have to give you today is my prayers that all will be well with you."

Miss Stanwyck was not permitted to answer when asked whether a \$10 cheque which, according to Fay's lawyer, was given to Dion by Robert Taylor, was returned marked "insufficient funds."

BEHEADED QUEEN'S FAREWELL

Paris.

The text of Marie Antoinette's last letter—begun at 4.30 on the morning of her execution and left unfinished—is now revealed.

Found in her cell by the French Public Prosecutor on October 10, 1793, the letter was submitted to the Senate as evidence in the inquiry into the execution of Louis XVI. and his Queen.

Several copies were then made, and these were so good that controversy has arisen over the question of which is the original.

The letter, addressed to the Queen's sister-in-law, Elizabeth, says:

"I have just been condemned, not to a shameful death—for such it is only to criminals—but to go to your brother. Innocent like him, I hope to show the same firmness he showed in his last moments."

"NEVER AVENGE"

"Receive my blessings for both my children. May my son never forget the last words of his father; let him never try to avenge our death."

"I sincerely ask God's pardon for all the faults I may have committed during my life. I hope that it may please Him to receive my soul in His mercy and goodness."

The letter ends with these words: "They may bring me a priest; but I shall not say one word to him and shall treat him as an absolute stranger."

Man Who Claimed Bogus Millions Sent To Gaol

Robert Young, alias Victor Saville, handsome 27-year-old trickster known to the Chicago police, posed in Britain as "Lord Frederick Cambridge," with a fortune of \$15,000,000 in the United States.

Now Robert Young has no fortune in the United States, and he is not the son, as he says he is, of Mr. Lament du Pont, said to be the second richest man in America.

And loose-tongued Robert was sentenced at the London Sessions to 18 months hard labour for obtaining £250 from two men and a woman, says the Daily Herald.

Young, the police know, has had an adventurous career, and prison will be no new experience for him—for eight previous convictions, including one in the United States, were proved against him.

TO MEET BRITISH



TO MEET BRITISH.—Efforts to settle remaining differences between Britain and Ireland were planned with the meeting in London between Eamon de Valera, Irish Prime Minister, and British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain. Above are Mr. de Valera, Chief Justice O'Sullivan and Speaker Frank Fahy after the votive mass in Dublin marking inauguration of Eire's new constitution, which further severed bonds of British domination.

United States Navy Will Test Longest Defence Line

By CARROLL KENWORTHY
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON.

THE UNITED STATES ANNUAL FLEET MANOEUVRES BEGINNING MARCH 14 WILL TEST A DEFENCE LINE THAT STRETCHES 4,322 MILES DOWN THE MIDDLE OF THE PACIFIC OCEAN FROM THE RIM OF THE ARCTIC TO SUB-EQUATORIAL WATERS, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL DISCLOSURE.

It is the nation's "major defence line" according to officials, comprising the outermost defensive "front" in the event of a major Pacific war.

In the north the line is based on Alaska and the string of Aleutian Islands which reach arm-like from the North American mainland towards Asia. In the centre the line is based on the Hawaiian Islands where the Pearl Harbour defences are so strong as to be known as "The Gibraltar of the Pacific."

The southern extremity of the line is the naval station in American Samoa, 15 degrees below the equator. Here the main harbour is Pago-Pago.

Never before has the United States fleet planned such extensive manoeuvres. Naval officials disclaimed any connection with recent conflict between Japan and China. They said the plans were drafted previously, but unofficial experts were confident that recent developments in the Far East "war" would cause certain alterations in the basic plans of the games.

One hundred and seventy-five warships, about 500 planes and between 50,000 and 60,000 men will participate in the games. They are scheduled to start on the California coast of the United States and spread fan-like over the vast triangle represented by Dutch Harbour in the Aleutians on the extreme left.

The area of the triangle is approximately 480,000 square miles. The leg from the navy base at San Pedro, California, to Dutch Harbour is 2,400 nautical miles. The leg from San Pedro to Pago Pago is 4,163 miles and the third leg which splits the North Pacific virtually in half from Pago Pago to Dutch Harbour is 4,322 miles.

AVIATION MAJOR ASPECT
Officials said that major sections of the fleet were not likely to cruise as far south in the Pacific as the Samoan station which lies 2,276 miles below Hawaii.

They indicated, however, that aerial arms of the fleet would cruise very near to Samoa, if not entirely there. Thus for the first time in history the navy planes will be in operation almost simultaneously in one set of war games from the frigid region of Alaska to the fierce tropical heat of sub-equatorial Samoa.

Aviation will, in fact, be a major aspect of the games according to all advance indications.

Many of the relatively little used islands of the Pacific in the great triangle will be employed and tested

as aerial bases. Those presumably included in the list are the Aleutians, the Midway Islands, (northwest of Hawaii) Baker and Howland Islands and Kingman Reef, which lie south of Hawaii near the equator on the route to Samoa and Australia, and finally the islands of Samoa, including particularly Palmyra. The last is a quiet lagoon reported admirably suited for a seabase.

In preparation for the vast games, a squadron of navy planes wintered in Alaska protected by the convoy ship—Lapwing. They were based early in the winter at Sitka.

Another indication of the navy's plans was the acquisition recently of a part of Kodiak Island, across the Gulf of Alaska from Sitka. Women's Bay on the eastern side of that island is reportedly a good operating base for planes.

Kiska, in the Aleutians, is one of six ports which the government has closed to foreign shipping in that region. In fact, all the Aleutian Islands lying west of Meridian 167 are officially declared an "air space reservation" over which commercial flying by any nation is prohibited for reasons of "public safety."

All the Aleutians also were recently charted by a special navy expedition and a submarine squadron spent much time in that region ostensibly exploring coves and potential operating bases.

The strategic significance of the region is believed to be due to its proximity to the "Great Circle" route of trading vessels which operate between Asia and North America. It is also much closer to Asia than any part of mainland United States.

Officials indicated that the naval manoeuvres will spread all over the region named and end with a "critic" at Hawaii late in April.

SHOOTING OF A WHITE RHINO Second Rarest Animal In The World

Durban.

The shooting in Zululand of one of the rarest animals the world has seen, the subject of court proceedings, and a South African farmer has been fined £40. The rare animal was a white rhino, one of two which strayed from the Hluhluwe Game Reserve and wandered on to a farm near Babanango.

The farmer said he was called out by his terrified natives, none of whom has seen such a beast before. He found two enormous beasts grazing peacefully among his cattle. As he raised his rifle he saw that they had horns on their noses, and it occurred to him that they might be rhinos. He fired at the bigger of the two and both came trotting towards him. He ran for his life and climbed the nearest tree. He fired ten shots until the bigger animal staggered and dropped.

The white rhino is the second rarest beast in the world, the okapi being first. It is found only in Zululand, in the Hluhluwe and Umfolosi Reserves. Each specimen is valued at £2,000.

VAMP FACES WEIDMANN

Versailles.

"I really must beg your pardon, Madame. . . . You are making a mistake. It was not I who fired at you in the garden."

With the exquisite politeness which had fascinated so many women, Weidmann, the Monster Slayer, said that to-night when he was confronted for the first time with "Colette the Vamp," Colette Tricot, charged as one of his accomplices.

During four long hours of ceaseless questioning at the office of the examining magistrate, M. Bery, both showed astonishing politeness, and courtesy in their questions and answers, which surprised the examining magistrate and counsel present.

HANDCUFF POLITENESS

The woman quietly insisted that Weidmann had fired at her, because she had discovered the book of travellers' cheques belonging to Miss Jean de Koven, the American dancer, whom Weidmann is alleged to have murdered.

Delicately throwing out his handcuffed hands, Weidmann made his equally quiet denial, and added: "How could I be so foolish as to shoot at you in the garden, Madame? If I had done so it would have attracted the attention of the neighbours."

"Well, I was climbing over a wall at the time," Colette replied, "and I did not see who fired. But as we were the only two in the garden, it must have been you."

Colette to-morrow will be confronted with Roger Millon, her lover, with whom she fled to the country after the start of the murders.

Information was put before M. Bery to-day alleging that Weidmann was convicted in Canada in 1928 of issuing counterfeit money and was deported after serving a term of imprisonment.

Rescuers Deserted By Natives

New York.

Four Americans—trying to penetrate the trackless jungle of British Guiana in search of Paul Redfern, the U.S. aviator who disappeared ten years ago—are in desperate straits.

Messages picked up from their portable radio state that their native porters have deserted, leaving them marooned on a rock island in the Cuyuni River, 150 miles from Georgetown.

Aid is being rushed up the river, but it is feared that no one can reach the party in less than a week.

The river teems with alligators. Food supplies are running low.

It is 22 days since they set out on their search, led by Theodore Waldeck, the explorer. The other members of the expedition are Mrs. Waldeck, William Astor Chandler, and Dr. Frederick Fox.

DISPUTED RATINGS

Some of the porters have returned to civilisation stating that they disputed with Waldeck when he started to ration the food.

Redfern, lost during a flight from the United States to Brazil, was yesterday presumed "legally dead" by a Detroit court.

His 30-year-old wife, who has spent the last ten years assisting in searches for him, now wants to remarry.

She does so despite the fact that Redfern's disappearance has always been surrounded by romantic stories which seem to indicate that he may be alive.

Jungle tribesmen tell of a white man who was taken by savage Indians to their village in a remote region of the Upper Amazon.

For many years there have been persistent rumours that this white man is "worshipped as a god because he dropped from the skies."

Waldeck's is the thirteenth expedition to attempt an investigation of these stories.

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A watch used by Captain Bligh of the Bounty during his open-boat voyage in the Southern Pacific in 1789; the camping outfit used by Scott in the Antarctic; and models of modern liners and battleships are among the hundreds of curios and relics in the Sea Roamers Exhibition opened recently at Selfridges, Oxford-street, W.

The collection, which took four months to complete and is valued at £10,000, covers every aspect of sea adventure.

A model of the £7,000,000 battleship Nelson, made from bits of broom-sticks, pencils, hairpins, meat skewers and tops of toothpaste tubes cost 9d.

Some pieces, like the Golden Cherub, believed to be the world's oldest merchant ship figurehead, are priceless.



Tell me, doctor. . .

What is a mother to do! Why, the scratch was so small you could hardly see it: blood-poisoning never entered my mind. After all, children can't sit still all day—though I have asked Freddie not to play in that shed. But, I mean, it might happen to any of us—a cut, a little scratch! Tell me what is one to do?

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 3.15 p.m. yesterday says:

The market showed signs of some buoyancy with a fair oil round enquiry. Advances were registered in Banks at \$1.515, Kowloon Wharves at \$120, Hotels at \$8.30, Cements at \$14.5, Watsons at \$5.05, H.K. Marmans at \$7.3.

Manila quotations were a shade lower, that market being reported as slightly easier.

Buyers

Hongkong Bank \$1.515 c.d.
China Underwriters \$1.40
Douglases \$7.20
Union Waterboats \$2.30
H.K. & K. Wharves \$120
Providentia (Old) \$2.50
Providentia (New) \$2.50
H. & S. Hotels \$8.30
Peak Trams (Old) \$5.05
Yammat Ferries \$23.50
China Light (Old) \$10.70
China Light (New) \$7.45
H.K. Electric \$5.05
Macao Electric \$19.94
Comet \$14.5
H.K. Ropes \$4.5
Watsons \$5.05
Entertainment \$5.04
Constructions \$1.5
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 24 1/2 p.m.
Marmans (H.K.) 7 1/2 - 5/8

Sellers

Providentia (New) \$2.50
H.K. Trams \$5.05
Peak Trams (New) \$5.05
Telephones (Old) \$25.5
Wm. Powell, Id. \$0.55

Sales

Hongkong Bank \$1.510 c.d.
Union Insurance \$2.50
Providentia (Old) \$2.50/50
Providentia (New) \$2.50/50
H.K. Ropes \$4.5
Yammat Ferries \$23.50
H.K. Electric \$5.05
Dairy Farms \$23.50
Marmans (H.K.) 7 1/2 - 5/8
Antarctica \$5.05 c.s.
Aloks 2 1/2 c.s.
Bagnio Gold 24 c.s.
Benguet Central 6.50 c.s.
Coco Grove 6.50 c.s.
Consolidated Mines 0.11 c.s.
Demonstrations 4.12 c.s.
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Suyco Consol 23 c.s.
United Paracelsa 50 c.s.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

SWAN, CULBERTSON & FRITZ LATEST REPORTS

New York, Feb. 17.

S. C. & F. Dow Jones summary of yesterday's markets:

Traders anticipate a bullish statement on prices by the President at Friday's press conference. The market continues to hope for early action on freight rates and consideration of tax revision. The Street believes that the President's forthcoming statement on prices will greatly influence commodities. Some investment and professional buying of stocks was noted to-day.

Friday's press conference. The market was above those of a year ago. The market here was somewhat discouraged by the London stock market touching a new low for several years. Other unfavorable factors were consideration of the new Wage Bill and the fact that life insurance for January was lower than for any month since September 1935.

Dow Jones Averages February
30 Industrials 124.00
20 Rails 23.71
20 Utilities 18.92
40 Bonds 91.10
11 Commodity Index

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York Cotton
March 9.85/95
May 8.95/95
July 8.05/95
October 7.15/12
December 6.15/13
January 5.15/10
Spot 9.00

The First Notice Day for March Cotton is Feb. 23 with delivery date March 1.

New York Rubber
March 14.04/04
May 15.03/08
July 15.10/10
September 15.24/27
December 15.53/53
January 15.50 N

Sales for Feb.—7,750 tons.
Chicago Wheat
May 92 1/2/92
July 87 1/2/87
Sept. 80 1/2/80
Wednesday's Sales: 22,358,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn
May 60 1/2/60
July 61 1/2/61
Sept. 62 1/2/62

Winnipeg Wheat
May 120 1/2/120 1/2
July 118 1/2/118 1/2
October 88 1/2/88 1/2

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

G. R. NOTICE.

TRAFFIC REGULATIONS DURING THE RACES.

I.—It is hereby notified that on the days fixed for the Annual Race Meeting at Wong-Nel-Chong (February 19th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd and 26th), the following Regulations under Ordinance No. 2 of 1869, will be in force:—

1. All vehicles going to the Races at Wong-Nel-Chong will proceed clockwise round Happy Valley via Wong-Nel-Chong Road to the entrance gates.

2. Vehicles must proceed at a slow speed in the vicinity of the Race Course.

3. Vehicles will be parked in the vicinity of the Race Course as directed by the Police on duty.

4. Dogs are not allowed on or near the Race Course. Any dog found straying on or near the Race Course is liable to be destroyed.

NOTE.—Kennedy Road will be open to light motor traffic from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

II.—Extra Race Meetings during the year 1938.—On days fixed for Extra Race Meetings.

One way traffic will be enforced in Wong-Nel-Chong Road.

Kennedy Road will not be open to motor traffic.

Parking of Cars at the Race Course.
1. The Stand at the public entrance is reserved for Jockey Club Stewards and Officials only.
2. Morrison Hill parking ground opposite Civil Service Club and Village Road reserved for Private Cars.
3. Ventris Road reserved for Public Cars.

T. H. KING,
Commissioner of Police,
Hongkong, 18th February, 1938.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

The Exchange Banks will open at 9.30 a.m. and will close at 12 noon for the transaction of Exchange business on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 21st, 22nd and 23rd February, 1938. (RACE MEETING).
Hongkong, 14th February, 1938.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTEENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of March, 1938, at the BOARD ROOM of the Company, Second Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors, for the financial year ended 31st December, 1937, and re-electing two Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 28th February to 9th March, 1938, both days inclusive.

Dated this 10th day of February, 1938.

Order of the Board.
W. L. MCKENZIE,
Secretary,
14, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong.

M.C.L. FLAG DAY TO-MORROW

A flag day in aid of the Ministering Children's League will be held to-morrow.

Among its obligations the League is pledged to maintain two cots in the home at Ottershaw, and a cot in the Netherlands Hospital here. Last year's funds were allocated to the Netherlands Hospital Cot, Hongkong Benevolent Society, Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children, Blind Home at Pokfulam, Victoria Home and Orphanage, Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, C.M.S. School Fund, Garrison Ladies Help Society, Kowloon, Chinese Y.W.C.A. (Baby Clinic and Factory Girls' Club), St. John Ambulance, Little Sisters of the Poor, Canoness Orphanage, Shaukiwan, Hongkong School for the Deaf and Dumb, a total of \$8,920.

To-morrow emblems will be on sale from 8 a.m. till noon. Sellers have been asked to refrain from going into business offices.

CHINESE ARMIES MAKING SLOW GAINS

(Continued from Page 1.)

an elastic scale. The basic thesis of defence is that the soldiers assigned to this district will never leave it until the war is finished. Such a plan does not mean that certain places will be defended to the last man, but that the soldiers will leave the positions they are holding if they are likely to prove costly. However, they will not leave the district and will continually circulate through these provinces.

They will mass where it is feasible and scatter when it is necessary, attacking the flanks and rear of the enemy, but not abandoning frontal warfare altogether.

Ready To Strike and Retreat

As an example, if the Chinese fight and are forced to retreat from northern Anhwei, they will move into southern Shantung. If they are pushed back in eastern Shantung, they will move into western Shantung, or Kiangsu, or Anhwei. The strength of this thesis lies in the fact that the Japanese forces are not believed to be numerous enough to cover the whole district and drive out the defenders.

The Chinese believe that the Japanese may be able to capture Hanchow. But they declare they will never be able to consolidate effectively the two ends of the Tientsin-Pukow railway line. The weakness is not likely to be in Japanese armaments, but the human element. Leaders and soldiers alike appear to be confident.

Preserve No Base

General Li Chung-jen's chief of staff told me that the difference between this strategy and that practised by the Eighth "Red" Route Army, lies in the fact that the latter holds no district as a base, but keeps moving constantly.

When I pointed out that the Eighth Army holds the Tientsin mountain district he expressed the belief that if the Japanese sent a large force against them there the Eighth Army would move west.

This new strategy is not guerrilla warfare. It has all the elements of frontal fighting, flanking and defence movements, and mobile attacking units as well as guerrilla troops are included in the scheme.

—United Press.

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"It Happened in Hollywood" (King's Theatre, to-day). All the triumphs of a star when he is "tops" and all the heartaches when he begins to slip. This is a genuine story of Hollywood, showing a star of silent Westerns (Richard Dix) losing out when the talkies come in, and his fight to keep his standing. Fay Wray appears in support.

"Slim" (Queen's Theatre, to-day). The work and loves of high-tension wire men. Henry Fonda, Pat O'Brien and Margaret Lindsay have the leading roles.

"Night Club Scandal" (Alhambra Theatre, to-day). John Barrymore, former idol of the screen, back in an unusual role. Others in the cast are Lynne Overman, Charles Bickford and Evelyn Brent.

"Charlie Chan at the Circus" (Oriental Theatre, to-day). Another one of the famous series, with Warner Oland as the famous Oriental crime-solver.

"After The Thin Man" (Majestic Theatre, to-day). A sequel to the film which established William Powell and Myrna Loy as a combination. It is perhaps not as good as the original, but it is to be expected, but it is good enough to satisfy most fans. Asia, the dog, is cuter than ever.

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Foreigners To Help Make China Healthy

Hankow, Feb. 18.
Health experts commissioned to visit China by the health section of the League of Nations, in accordance with a resolution of the Assembly last October, arrived at Hankow yesterday. The aim of the mission is to co-operate with the Chinese health administration, with the outbreak of epidemics as a result of the present hostilities.

Members of the mission are: M. Wingeller, a German, Herr Jettmar, an Austrian, and Mr. R. U. M. Robertson, a Briton. The group is visiting shortly Hupeh, Hunan, Honan, Shansi, Szechuen and Kiangsu, where it will organise epidemic prevention work under the direction of the Chinese health administration. The Chinese Foreign Office has instructed local authorities to give the mission every facility necessary to aid its work.—Reuter.

BIG GOLD RUSH IN LONDON VOLUME OF TURNOVER IN MARKET HIGH

London, Feb. 17.
Gold valued at over £1,000,000 changed hands at to-day's fixing for the first time since last November. London bullion clerks are not surprised by the volume of turnover, pointing out that it is merely a reflection of the recent weakness of the dollar and to a lesser extent the franc. Some comment, however, has been aroused by the attitude of the Exchange Equalisation Account which supplied the bulk of the metal required.

In this connection it is interesting to note that bidding for gold this morning began at 139/5 and then 139/10, but it was only at 139/10 that the authorities turned on the tap and met the demand fully. These factors have given rise to the belief in some quarters that the authorities at present ignore the high premium on the London price of gold over American parity.

Owing to the fact that the authorities have at their disposal the stock of the South African output, together with occasional shipments of Russian gold, it is believed that even if the

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FENGCHIU REPORTED RETAKEN

Chengchow, Feb. 18.
Fengchiu, important town on the north bank of the Yellow River in northern Honan, only 13 miles from Kaifeng, has been recovered by Chinese forces, reports received here indicate.

The recapture of the town frustrated the Japanese flanking movement on the right side of the Peking-Hankow Railway, which apparently aimed at capturing Kaifeng and cutting communications on the Luanghai Railway.

On the railway line the Chinese are throwing their full weight to halt the rapid Japanese advance at Hsinhsiang, 40 miles north of Chengchow, where bitter fighting is now raging, whilst on the left side of the railway the Chinese and Japanese are locked in a grim struggle on the high-levelled ground north-east of Hweihai.

Continuing to harass the Japanese rear, Chinese guerrilla units are reported to have recaptured the railway station outside the south city gate of Peking, thus disrupting Japanese communications on the Peking-Hankow Railway. In an attempt to eliminate the guerrilla menace around Peking the Japanese military command has dispatched 300 carloads of reinforcements from Peking and Tientsin to the Hopei provincial capital. Fighting is now in progress in the suburbs.

Meanwhile, Wantu, Tingshen, Hsinle, Mancheng, Hsinsheng and Wuchi, towns along the Peking-Hankow Railway which have recently been recaptured by Chinese guerrilla units are still in Chinese hands.—Central News.

GIVEN HIGH POST IN CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

London, Feb. 17.
Sir John Gilmour, M.P. for Glasgow, has been appointed High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.—Reuter Bulletin.

London price were to reach the level at which shipments from New York are profitable, it is possible that such shipments would not materialise and the present attitude of the British authorities would appear to be, "We have plenty of gold, but if you want it you must pay for it."—Reuter.

POST OFFICE.

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS

Ordinary air mail letters for Imperial Airways Direct Service to Europe etc. will, until further notice, be closed at Kowloon Post Office and General Post Office at 9.00 a.m. on Sundays. Letters for this Service may be posted in the ordinary post-boxes at Kowloon Post Office and General Post Office. They should be clearly marked "By Air Mail" and bear sufficient postage. Insufficiently prepaid letters may be taxed with double the deficiency or forwarded by Steamer Service, at the discretion of the Post Office.

AIR MAIL SERVICES

Air Mail Services to Shanghai, Nanking, Tientsin, Tientsin and Peking are temporarily suspended.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE

Mail Service "Via Siberia" is temporarily suspended.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 8 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Date
Batavia	February 18.	
Calcutta and Straits	February 18.	
Amoy and Swatow	February 18.	
Japan	February 18.	
Haliphong	February 18.	
Swatow and Swatow	February 19.	
Japan	February 19.	
Straits	February 20.	
Japan and Shanghai	February 20.	
Bangkok and Swatow	February 20.	
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date	February 21.	
Japan	February 21.	
Straits	February 22.	
Java and Manila	February 22.	
Straits	February 22.	

For	Per	Date and Time
Haliphong	Friday	
Shanghai	Friday	
Swatow	Friday	
Air Mail for Wuchow, Kweilin, Kweiyang and Chungking by the "C.N.A.C. Airways Direct Service."	Friday	
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 18th March.	Friday	

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Samshul and Wuchow	Saturday	
Tientsin	Saturday	
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Service"—due Amsterdam, 27th February	Saturday	
Kongmoon	Saturday	
Parcels only for Germany via Hamburg	Saturday	
Air Mail for "France Orient Airways Service"—due Marseilles 6th March	Saturday	
Japan	Saturday	
Saloon, Ceylon, India, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 10th March	Saturday	
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Naples—due Naples, 12th March	Saturday	
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 28th February	Saturday	
Air Mail for Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Darwin, 27th February	Saturday	

For	Per	Date and Time
Amoy and Foochow (via Amoy)	Sunday	
Swatow and Foochow	Tuesday	
Formosa	Tuesday	
Tientsin	Tuesday	
Fort Bayard and Haliphong	Tuesday	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Tuesday	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver B.C. 12th March	Tuesday	
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Many Planes
In Kwangtung
Operations

Railways Again
Under Fire

After a day of intensive aerial activities, the all-clear signal was sounded at 3.50 p.m. for the second time. Some Chinese sources allege that 40 planes, operating in groups, participated in the morning raid when points along the Canton-Hankow Railway and highways were subjected to severe bombing. Other sources state the number of planes is exaggerated.

An unused arsenal north-west of Canton was also bombed, three missiles actually landing in the compound and four closely perched persons were killed and three wounded. In the afternoon, 18 planes flew over the province. Eight bombs were dropped, several on the Tienho aerodrome, north-east of Tungshan, and several landed in a field. The damage was slight.

Japanese planes were sighted from time to time during the afternoon, with anti-aircraft shells bursting around them.—Reuter.

RAILWAYS AGAIN BOMBED

Canton, Feb. 17.
With the skies cleared, 34 Japanese planes flying in nine groups continued their mass bombing along the Canton-Kowloon and Canton-Hankow railways this morning. They skirted the suburbs of the city twice but were repulsed by anti-aircraft guns.

The invaders dropped a number of bombs at Cheung-chai station on the Canton-Kowloon railway, causing slight damage to the tracks.

Shortly after 9 o'clock, seven of the invading machines were sighted above the White Cloud Mountain in the northern suburb but were soon driven away by brisk Chinese anti-aircraft gunfire. They then turned to the Canton-Hankow railway and released bombs at Sunkai station, 31 kilometres north of here.

At the same time, six other planes flew over Saichuen, where they released nine bombs, one of which was reported to have been killed, over 10 wounded and a number of houses demolished.

Bocca Tigris, Sunwul and other cities were also visited by the Japanese planes this morning, but no bombs were dropped.

It is reported that one of the Japanese machines was hit by a Chinese anti-aircraft shell, but so far this has not yet been confirmed.—Central News.

LEPER ASYLUM BOMBED

Canton, Feb. 18.
News has been received that on February 3 the newly erected asylum for lepers at Koyui was raided by the Japanese planes. As yet the Provincial Government, which had constructed it, had not moved in any of the lepers, but 14 attendants were killed by the 20 bombs that came down in the grounds.—Our Own Correspondent.

RAID ON CHANGSHA

Changsha, Feb. 17.
Changsha, capital of Hunan, was raided by eight planes to-day. As soon as the raiders reached the city, Chinese anti-aircraft guns concentrated on them and a squadron of Chinese pursuit planes, which had climbed above the clouds prior to their arrival, swooped down to engage them.

The invading planes hurriedly flew away after having dropped over 30 bombs in the northern suburbs. The explosives killed four people seriously injured six and demolished scores of houses.—Central News.

JAPANESE VERSION

Shanghai, Feb. 17.
A Japanese Navy spokesman announced that naval aircraft raided Changsha and Ichang aerodrome to-day. There were no planes around at Changsha, but four in the air fled at the approach of the raiders and circled around some distance away, leaving the Japanese to bomb the aerodrome at will.

"This shows the low morale of the Chinese air force," he declared.—Reuter.

Soviet Navy
Plans Keep
Japan Alert

Tokyo, Feb. 17.

An Admiralty spokesman commenting on reports that Russia was expanding naval power seriously at Vladivostok, said the Japanese viewed the situation with apprehension. "At present there is no authentic information, but if Russia expands its navy at Vladivostok, we must consider that very seriously," he said.

The comments followed reiteration of the Navy's readiness to change her programme, whenever Japan was menaced. However he avoided a direct answer as to whether Japan had already started that change.

Asked whether the United States were entitled to a fleet twice the size of Japan's, since the United States must defend in two oceans, the spokesman said that on that basis Britain would be entitled to seven times as much as Japan, because of the extent of her dominions.—United Press.

Delbos to Speak

Paris, Feb. 17.
The Foreign Office has instructed the French Ambassador in Berlin to request clarification of German plans and intentions in Austria.

M. Delbos, Foreign Minister, said that on Tuesday he would speak to the Deputies explaining French policy in the light of Central European developments.

A Foreign Office spokesman said that although France regarded the Austrian situation seriously, she would act with caution and without excitement. She did not consider the Anschluss an accomplished fact and believed that Schuschnigg might yet seek collaboration and support from the democracies.

M. Flandin, War Minister, opposing the Communist demands for intervention in Central Europe and Spain, said there would be war and France would have to be ready to have an army and air force able to support her foreign policy.—United Press.

AMERICAN DEFENCES
Pro-Fascist Alliance Must
Be Considered

Washington, Feb. 18.
Representative Byron Scott today warned the Committee for Naval Affairs that the United States in planning naval expansion must consider the possible dangers of a pro-Fascist alliance between Germany, Italy and Japan.

"If we are going to police the world, we must prepare defence against a pro-Fascist alliance on the part of those three nations," he said. "Japanese espionage is well known. Germany is spreading propaganda in South America."

Another member of the Committee said, "I think you exaggerate the possibility of such action on the part of these nations which have their hands full."

Representative Scott replied, "I do not think we can fear too much the illogical and unreasonable actions of Hitler, Mussolini and the Mikado."—United Press.

Alliance With Britain

Washington, Feb. 18.
Replying to a question by Representative Michael Black, Democrat of Pennsylvania, as to whether he thought the United States was heading towards an alliance with Great Britain, Representative Hamilton Fish replied: "If it is put on the basis of a definite written agreement, the answer is 'no' but if it is on the basis that we are now holding daily intercourse with the highest authorities in Britain for parallel action, which means concerted action, the answer is 'yes'."

That is why I am fearful that Navy expansion means parallel action in policing the world." Meanwhile Congressional critics have charged the Navy Department with having created a war scare, and have demanded that President Roosevelt clarify his foreign policy. Representative Frank Kniffin, De-

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Senator David Walsh, Democrat of Massachusetts, denounced the propaganda intended to "create an attitude of suspicion and distrust between Japan and the United States."

"American people sincerely desire peace among all nations," he declared.

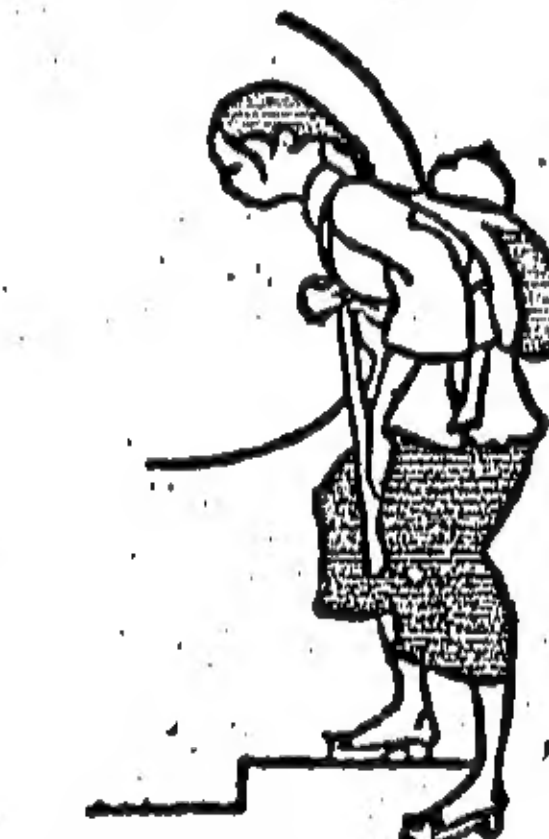
He said that the Naval programme bears "no relationship to any aggressive plans on the part of the United States."

The 5-5-3 ratio was the best means of preserving peace, he asserted.

"In the event of war, the American Government must be able to protect the shipping of strategic war materials. It is found that only in the Orient this trade route must be kept open if we are to maintain our present industrial civilisation."—United Press.

Flight of Bombers

Miami, Feb. 17.
At 12.55 a.m. to-day the Army bombers started for Lima and at 2.09 a.m. the War Department stated that one of the bombers was flying over Santo Domingo on the north coast of Cuba, and was averaging 180 miles an hour.—United Press.



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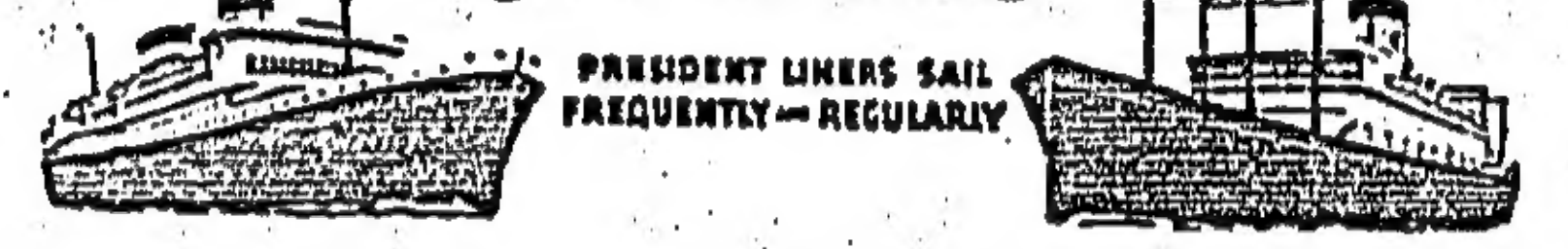
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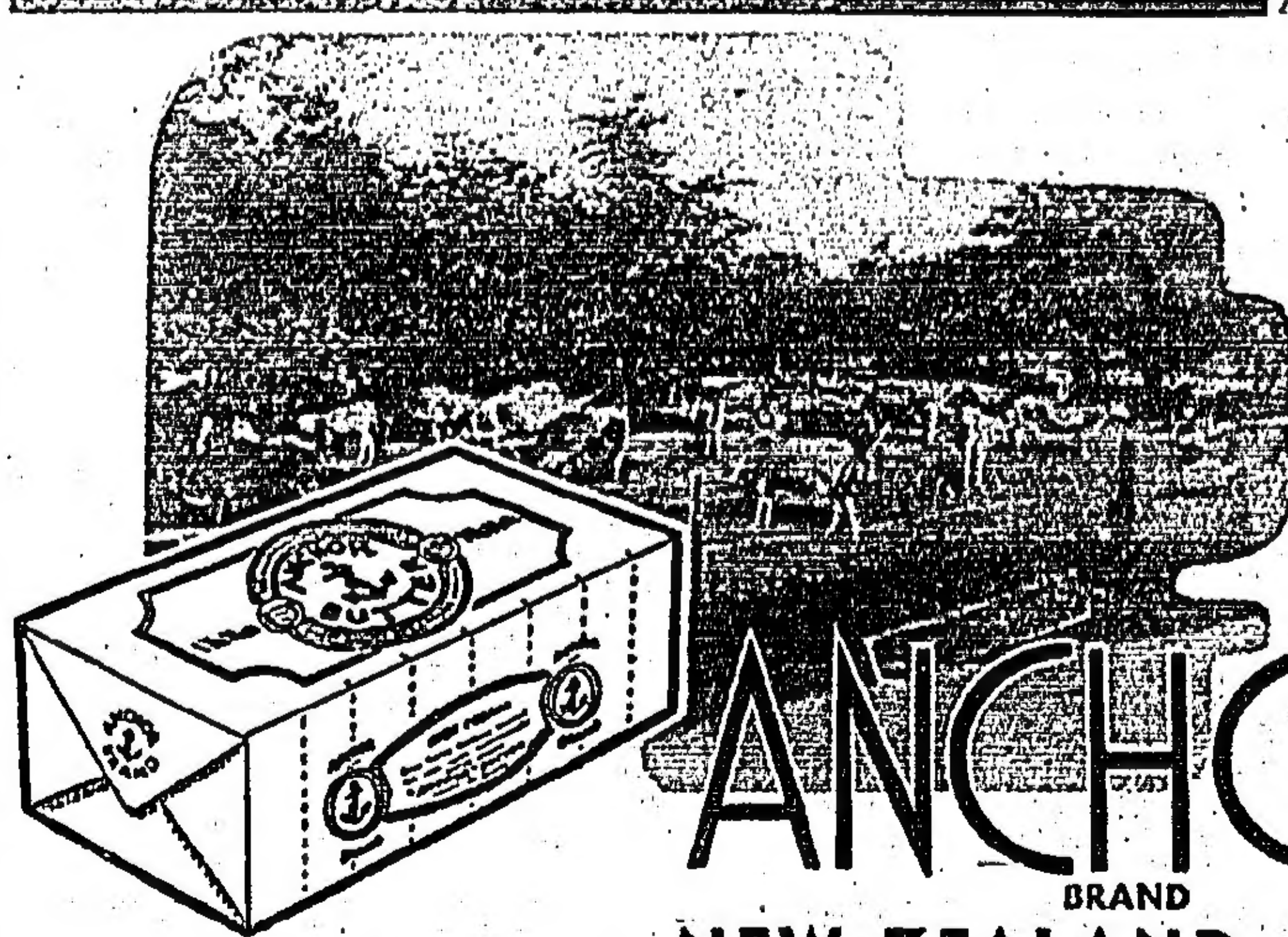
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ITALIAN FINGERS IN ARAB PIE

The Arab and Egyptian do
not see eye to eye about Mus-
solini.

Actually, of course, the
Egyptian is by race an Arab
but his political outlook is es-
sentially different. This essen-
tial difference is due to the fact
that the Egyptian has got what
he wants—independence—and
the Arab in Palestine, for in-
stance, has not.

So the Egyptian's desire in
foreign affairs is to hold what
he has got. Mussolini's wire-
less propaganda falls on deaf
and indeed suspicious ears. The
Egyptian does not like the mass-
ing of troops on the Libyan
frontier and events in Abyssinia
are too recent to be forgotten.
Consequently Great Britain, as
a powerful ally who is as in-
terested as Egypt herself in
maintaining the status quo, is
increasing in popularity while
Italian stock is at a discount.

"The situation is quite other
in Palestine," says Hebe Spaul,
noted League of Nations poli-
tical expert. "The struggle
between Jew and Arab in Pales-
tine—due to no racial anta-
gonism but solely to a conflict of
political aims—is precisely the
kind of troubled water in which
Fascist Italy knows well how to
fish. The intense political
passions of the moment prevent
the Arab from taking an objec-
tive view of the proffered
friendship of Italy, and attacks
on Great Britain as the Power
who is responsible for the pre-
sent regime find a ready echo
from the Arab. That Italy has
no interest in liberating subject
peoples from an Imperial yoke
may be obvious to almost every-
body; but the Arab is an easy
victim at the moment."

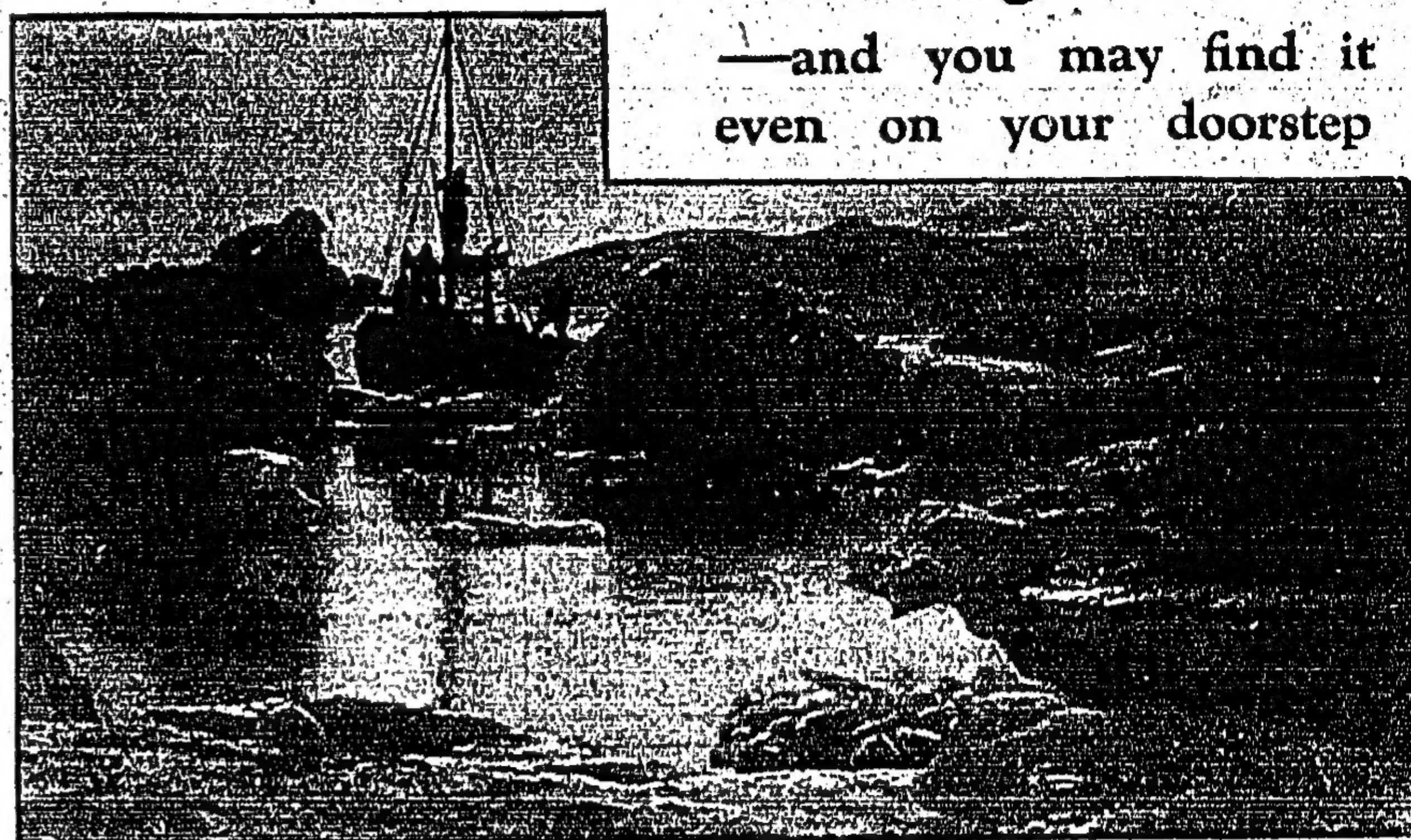
Great Britain did a wise thing
in giving Egypt her indepen-
dence when she did. She gained
a good friend and the League
of Nations a loyal Member at a
time when added strength was
needed. Unfortunately the prob-
lem of Palestine is much more
complicated and difficult of solu-

tion. If the problem can be
solved in a way that will be just
to the Jews and give reasonable
satisfaction to the Arabs it
should do a great deal to bring
stability both to the Near East
and the Mediterranean.

If You Want to be an Explorer, there is still

ADVENTURE in Plenty . . .

—and you may find it
even on your doorstep



In the Antarctic, but it might be almost anywhere!

there—Dr. Mill once borrowed a
gun-boat to attempt it—but
have been driven off by the
breakers.

If those are too near home for
our modern adventurers, the
Unknown World has plenty of
other places to offer them.
There is the Matto Grosso,
the Central Plateau of Brazil,
about which less is known than
about any area of equal size in
the world. Vast tracts of jungle
keep the secrets of its strange
and dangerous tribes and of its
animal life.

COLONEL FAWCETT,
his son, and Raleigh
Rimmel, both in their
early twenties, perished there in
the summer of 1925. Or did
they? That is one of the great
question marks in the history of
exploration.

Colonel Fawcett was in search
of a "Lost World." It is an area
about which imagination could,
and can still, run riot, unchal-
lenged—White Indians, prehis-
toric "monsters," incalculable
treasures, ruined cities and for-
gotten civilisations.

Fawcett believed in the cities.
In a territory of hidden, hos-
tile Indian tribes, his guides
deserted him. He and his young
companions went on, and,
almost certainly, perished in an
ambush.

But legends are begotten of
such mysteries, and a trapper
named Rattin brought back
news of a tall white man with a
long beard dressed in skins . . .
Fawcett?

Twelve years have passed.
The quest of "The White God"
of the Indians will tempt future
expeditions into the treacherous
Matto Grosso in the wake of
Colonel Fawcett.

In the jungles of Central and
South America are the relics of
the Aztec and Inca civilisations
—maybe even Eldorado, which
dangled its golden lure before
the Spanish Conquistadors and
before adventurers ever since.
British Guiana, although it is
part of the Empire, has not yet
been fully explored. Aeroplane
surveys are revealing the
secrets of its hinterland, but
only desperate "foot-slogging"
will ever wrest from it the
secrets of its birds and animal
life, hints of which were brought
back, by a recent expedition, in
the form of golden frogs.

ON the frontiers of
Bolivia and Peru lies
Lake Tititaca, the
highest lake in the world,
12,500 feet above sea-level.
Here legend (as usual) has it
that the Incas dumped
£50,000,000 (the odd half-
pennies don't matter) into it to

save it from the Spanish in-
vaders.

But that is not what the
British scientific expedition—
sponsored by Professor J. S.
Gardiner, of Cambridge, the
Percy Sladen Trustees, the
Royal Society and the British
Museum—is seeking there. They
went to find how certain sea-
water fish and sea-level animals
found their way to Tititaca, and
to see whether, by any means,
the mineral resources—copper,
silver and lead—might be
developed.

IN the Gobi Desert,
vast, desolate, danger-
ous, with extremes of
cold more severe than the
Poles, mysteries still remain to
tempt men and women to des-
perate adventures. It holds in
its fossils and bones remains the
secrets of primeval life and of
prehistoric animals.

Tibet, still a Forbidden Land,
although the priestly lamas, to-
day, may listen-in on radio
sets, beckons persistently to
explorers, tempting them to
futile expeditions in search of
flowers that may one day grace
a suburban rockery, and in
search of strange lore and
strange customs.

Western China is a land of
mystery, and the Chinese would
like to keep it so until their own
explorers can chart it and reveal
its secrets. But the "Shangri-
la," the happy valley of "Lost
Horizon," may not be merely the
fancy of James Hilton or of the
Hollywood film-makers.

Great valleys, locked by moun-
tains that daunt the most adven-
turous, lie on the frontiers of
China and Tibet—valleys that our
civilisation "cannot" touch, but
whose own, for all we know,
may be superior, in sanity, to
ours.

WHERE Burma joins
with India there are
mountains and valleys
which have defied the white man.
Jim Matthews, who, with his
comrade Hook, attempted a flight
to Australia and crashed in the
Burmese jungle, described to me
vast mountain-locked valleys over
which they passed, inaccessible to
the outer world, even to airman,
who could never find a landing
ground.

Arctic Canada and the glaciers
of the Rockies offer endless pos-
sibilities; and Antarctica, grave of
Scott and his companions, the
death-lure of Shackleton, the
desperate dream of all great
explorers, may be part of the Lost
Continent of Gondwanaland,
which once filled the Indian Ocean
and linked Africa, Asia and
Australia. Beneath its ice-cap
almost certainly lie vast mineral
resources.

One day, I predict, Man will
inhabit that Continent, create
there vast subterranean cities and
tap its wealth.

Before then The White Unknown
must be fully explored.

There is work in plenty for
generations of explorers.

take a bath. I'm feeling a bit grub-
by."

"You can't have a bath."

"Why can't I?"

"The amah's in there!"

"Oh, well, I think I'll stroll down
to the Peninsula."

"Home! Dab!"

"Come on, pup!"

Child's Death A Mystery

The mystery of the death of a
small girl, Lam Yuet, who was
brought dead to a hospital with in-
juries which indicated that she had
been punched occupied the attention
of Mr. Barnett and a jury at Kowloon
yesterday.

Mr. Barnett remarked that the
jury would probably find it im-
possible to come to a verdict as there
was a lack of sufficient evidence.

The girl, he said, was brought dead
to the Kwong Wah Hospital on
January 9, by a woman who said she
was her mother. Giving a false
name and address she said the child
had died of fever but it was found
that she had a fractured skull.

Dr. J. M. Gray, who performed a
post mortem declared that the girl
had a very marked blackening of
the left eye, the bruise extended to
the left temple. She appeared to
have been punched.

There was much intra-cranial
haemorrhage around the left frontal
region above the eye and a distinct
fracture. There was slight evidence
of enteritis and pulmonary tuber-
culosis and in his opinion, she had
been a weakly child.

The cause of death was fracture
of the skull, haemorrhage and shock.
The hearing was adjourned to
March 3.

THE "VERY IDEA"

This Is How We Whipped Those Corinthians

By Eddie Kelly, Full Back

WE have always dodged the lime-light as much as
possible.

We ourselves are as modest as a Mexican parrot and avoid
publicity like Madame Chiang Kai-shek and/or the smallpox
epidemic.

But we feel that we must tell you of the splendid game we
and our grandfather played against the Corinthians prior to
their first game in Hongkong next Saturday.

P. B. Clark, the Corinthians
captain, knowing our capabili-
ties on the field, didn't want us
to play, but at last grudgingly
consented.

Our grandfather insisted on a
third man in the team.

"Otherwise," he said, "who is go-
ing to bring on the drinks?"

"They are 11 to our two," we re-
plied. "Let them bring on the
drinks."

"Not on your life," said the old
man. So we made Bill Fryde third
man.

We stunned C. Longman, their
goalie, with our first ball, which
we shot into the goal so swiftly
that the wind blew the netting off
the grand stand.

Clark came at us pretty niftily at
times, but we had a few dud ten cent
pieces which we were able to scatter
around the field fairly indiscriminate-
ly. Yes, he comes from Scotland.

We headed beautifully from
Wright, who sent us up an easy one
at silly mid-on, just near the three-
quarter line.

After that they seemed to lose their
mettle, and in no time we had them
out for 40-0.

We will not go into valuations
details about the magnificent dis-

play we made in the second half.
Suffice it to say that the Committee
of the Football Association came to
us in a body and asked us not to
knock the visitors about too much,
as they had to play three games
against Hongkong later in the week.

"Listen," they said, "it's bad enough
you belting these poor lads. But
don't go knocking the balls about so
much. You've already punctured
eight of them. Go easy."

After that we contented ourself
with lobbing them into the net three
or four times every minute. Our
grandfather just sat down on the
side-lines, nibbling the oranges. He
wasn't necessary.

SCORES

Corinthians Nil

Kelly Team 125.

No wonder the chaps are not look-
ing forward to playing against Hong-
kong to-morrow. They're thorough-
ly cowed.

We were a bit cowed ourself when
we went home.

It goes like this—

"Can't you learn to wipe your feet
when you come inside. Why must
you wear those filthy football things?"

and so on.

And we say: "Well, I think I'll

IS 4 P.M. YOUR DANGER HOUR?

Well, Professor Hans von Hentig May Think So, But—

Is four o'clock in the afternoon the "danger hour" for family crises and major catastrophes?

In the opinion of Professor Hans von Hentig, former Professor of Criminal Law and Criminology at the University of Bonn, people tend to become more nervous and irritable at that hour than any other.

Speaking at the American Sociological Society's convention at Atlantic City, he said:

EMPIRE NEWS

ASSAM ASSEMBLY AND COMMISSIONERS

Caleutta, Wednesday. An interesting situation which is being exaggerated into a constitutional crisis has arisen in Assam as a result of the abolition by the Assembly of the posts of Commissioners who are the senior Indian Civil Service officials. The Assembly refuses to vote three months' expenses for the Commissioners' establishment.

The Governor of Assam, Sir Robert Reid, conveyed a message to the Assembly that the Commissioners were protected under the India Act. He desired the Premier to present a demand for £1,125, the cost of the establishment for three months, and to postpone abolition of the posts until the end of March.

The Premier, Sir Mohammed Saadullah, declared that he disagreed with the Governor and declined to present the motion for the grant in the Assembly.

It is expected that the grant will be eventually sanctioned under the Governor's powers. The only question is one of prestige.

Rent Arrears.—The Congress Government of the United Provinces has distributed hundreds of thousands of leaflets appealing to peasants to pay arrears of rent, hitherto withheld. Otherwise the Provinces will be bankrupt. The only alternatives are coercive measure or the resignation of the Government.

Muslims Beat Congress.—The Muslim League has won the rubber in the by-election contest in the United Provinces, defeating the Congress party by four seats to one.

Reuter.

South Africa.

BANNED BOOK

Cape Town, Wednesday. The fate of 2,000 copies of "Turning Wheels," banned by the Minister of the Interior, Mr. J. H. Hofmeyr, and now held by the Cape Town Customs, is as yet unknown. The Commissioner of Customs at Pretoria will decide whether the books shall be returned to the publishers or destroyed.

London Commissioner.—Mr. T. Water denies a report that he is considering relinquishing the position of Union High Commissioner in London before the end of his period of office towards the end of 1939. It is known, however, that both political parties have approached him to reconsider.

Wild Flowers Laws.—The Cape's experimental legislation designed to put an end to the wholesale destruction of wild flowers comes into operation on Jan. 1. All hawking or peddling of wild flowers will be prohibited, also the plucking of flowers within 50 yards of a road by motorists.

Trade Pact With France.—The preliminary trade agreement between the Union and France has been prolonged until March 31, 1938. It is expected that subsequently the Union will conclude a new agreement with France and, also with other countries when the trade pact position of the United States and Britain is settled.

Reuter.

New Zealand

EXPANDING TRADE

Wellington, Wednesday. The expansion in New Zealand's foreign trade is again shown in the figures for the eleven months, January to November, this year.

Exports amounted to £22,290,000, New Zealand currency, compared with £22,431,000 for the same period last year, and imports to £21,552,000, as against £20,842,000. The favourable balance was thus £1,738,000, compared with £1,599,000 for January to November last year.

Reuter.

WAR RIBBONS BANNED

Johannesburg. South African railwaymen are indignant at an order of the Railways Administration forbidding those of them who are ex-service men to wear their medal ribbons on duty. They describe the order as "an attempt to belittle their war honours."

"No revolution ever started in the early morning or at noon. They have all started about 4 p.m."

"The same time of day produces the largest crop of family catastrophes, divorces, broken engagements and momentous political decisions."

"Perhaps the experience of such a danger period has introduced the cocktail hour into our social technique to lead us across the slippery ice of our psychic instability."

No evidence in support of the professor's assertion could be discovered recently.

IN REVOLUTION LAND

Portugal, a country that has specialised in revolutions in recent years, has always selected late at night or early in the morning. The proclamation of the Republic and overthrow of the House of Braganza in 1910 was at night. The attempted revolution in 1921 was at dawn. Another attempt in 1927 was in the early morning, and yet another in 1931 was at the same time.

The Fascist march on Rome started in the evening and finished in the morning. The Hitler outbreak in November, 1923, was in the evening. The attempted Nazi revolution in Austria and murder of Dollfuss were at about midday. King Alexander and Queen Draga of Serbia were assassinated in 1903 in the small hours of the morning. President Lincoln was shot in the evening.

The News Chronicle Library was, indeed, at a loss to trace any big historical event that happened at four in the afternoon.

Psychologists were equally at a loss to produce any evidence that four o'clock is the domestic danger hour.

Professor Philpot, of University College, London, and Recorder of the Psychology Section of the British Association, thought round about breakfast the most dangerous time.

"My C.O. in France," he said, "wasn't considered fit to be faced till after lunch. The best time was after dinner. Certainly, I wouldn't care to ask anyone a favour at breakfast time."

Individuals varied, he added, but he was confident there was nothing in Professor Hentig's four o'clock theory.

Another psychologist, who practises in Harley Street thought that between eight and nine in the morning, preferably Monday morning, was the most probable "danger hour."

EVEN THE POETS DIFFER

Even the poets, usually the best judges in a matter of this kind, differ here:

Said Shakespeare of the midnight hour:

'Tis now the very witching time of night

When churchyards yawn and hell itself breathes out

Contagion to this world.

—Hamlet, Act. III, Sc. 2.

J. R. Lowell, however, did not agree, but sang:

O wild and wondrous midnight,

There is a might in thee

To make the charmed body

Almost like spirit be,

And give it some faint glimpses

Of immortality

THE SUMMING-UP

And of all the hours of the day, here's a summing-up by the Bard of Avon:

And so from hour to hour we ripe and

And then from hour to hour we rot

And rot,

And thereby hangs a tale.

But of four o'clock in the afternoon the poets have no comments to make.

SOUTH AFRICA

WOOL PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN

Cape Town. The South African Wool Council's national campaign, involving the expenditure of £10,000, to foster the use of woollen goods in all seasons, begins early in 1938.

There will be a broadcast talk by the Governor-General, followed by an intensive Press publicity campaign.

Butter Shortage Ends.—The coming of the rains has ended the butter shortage in the Union. Production during the week ending December 22 was over 300,000lb, which is 64,000 more than the figure for the previous week.



King Zog, Moslem monarch of Albania, watches a review of his army near the capital of Tirana. The event was the celebration of the nation's 25th year of independence. Two years ago the bachelor King looked around for an American girl with \$1,000,000 for queen of his Balkan kingdom.

BACHELOR'S SCORN FOR GOOD-TIME GIRLS

"MUCH-PAWED-OVER remnants from the bargain basement," was how "good-time girls" were described recently.

Mr. J. A. F. Nolan (Liverpool)—a young bachelor—speaking at the Federation of University Conservative and Unionist Associations Conference at Oxford, said:

"I consider that the modern young person, and especially the modern young lady who has made pleasure her god and its pursuit her religion, is doing a very grave disservice to the future of mankind."

SOVIET CINEMA CHIEF REMOVED

"HORRIBLE" FILM OF "TREASURE ISLAND"

GIRL HEROINE WHO DRINKS RUM

Moscow.

Boris Shumiatsky, supreme chief of the Soviet film industry, who is well known in Britain and America, has been dismissed.

He has been charged with building himself a luxurious country house, costing a quarter of a million roubles, equivalent to a year's average wages of more than 900 Soviet workers, wasting fabulous sums on similar luxuries for his friends, and, worst of all, falling far behind in the output plan for films.

The last straw was his version of Stevenson's "Treasure Island," now showing, in which a disastrously clumsy attempt was made to please the popular taste and at the same time to satisfy the "Party line."

Shumiatsky turned Stevenson's boy hero, Jim Hawkins, into "cabin girl," Jenny Hawkins, who drinks rum by the bucketful with the pirates, dances "most loosely," and finally has an affair with Dr. Livesey.

"HORRIBLE EXAMPLE" The pirates are, moreover, featured as living a much too free and happy life, drinking deep, singing loud, throwing dice, and at the same time strictly applying their own "harsh laws," which include the "issuing of warrants" for each other's liquidation most cold-heartedly.

"What a horrible example for Soviet children, queue-ing up for this film," exclaims the official organ, Soviet Art, from which I quote these charges.

Shumiatsky's position was worsened by the way in which he dragged into this "bourgeois" story the Irish revolution of 1798. For the opening, there is the caption, "Revolution storms over Ireland," and then the film launches a treasure hunt to find the funds of the Irish rebels—as if the Irish revolutionaries could possibly associate with such "criminal elements."

"Why didn't Shumiatsky read Marx's letter to Engels on Dec. 10, 1899, explaining the Irish movement as really a class war against Pitt's infamous policy?" asks Soviet Art.

"You can hardly expect the average decent young bachelor to pay much attention to people who have elevated the phrase 'having a good time' into their whole philosophy of life, and you cannot expect the average young man when he reaches marriageable age and financial standing to take a great deal of interest in some of these much-pawed over remnants from the bargain basement."

Three short talks on matters of topical interest.

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.02 Studio Concert by Eva Turner (Soprano), and Elisabeth Schreiber (Mezzo-Soprano) accompanied by A. T. Lay.

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8.23 Orchestral.

Don Juan—Symphonic Poem, Op. 20 (Strauss).... Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Albert Coates.

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"The Yeomen of the Guard" A Man Who Would Woo A Fair Maid.... Derek Oldham, Winifred Lawson and Nellie Brercliffe; When A Woeful Girl A Woeful Girl.... Winifred Lawson, Nellie Brercliffe, D. Oldham and G. Baker; Rapture Rapture, Rapture, D. Gill and P. Dawson; Comes The Pretty Young Bride.... Full Company; Leonard, My Loved One.... Winifred Lawson, Derek Oldham, George Baker and Chorus.

10.40 Variety and Dance Programmes.

Vocal—Famous Ballads by Frederick Weatherly.... Dennis Noble (Baritone); Cymbalum and Orchestra—Waltz No. 1 in E Flat (Durand); Red Rose.... Cymbalum Solo by Elee Colombo; Ragtime; Piano—The King's Horse (Gay, and Graham); Medley Of Marches.... Hale D. Costa; Vocal—Gertrude Lawrence (Soprano); Dance Orchestra—No Greater Love—Fox-Trot; Last-Post-Trot (Lombardo); and his Royal Canadiana; Orchestra—Grant Day—Selection (Rose, Ellson and Youmans).... Jack Payne and his B.L.C. Dance Orchestra; Dance Orchestra—Girls Were Made To Love and Kiss (Quillette); Love, Live For Ever—Waltz (both from Operetta "Pagliacci").... Victor Silvester and his B.L.C. Dance Orchestra.

11.00 Close Down.

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12.30 Songs by Richard Tauber (Tenor).

Beautiful Italy (Operetta Paganini—Lehar-Herbert); Girls Were Made To Love And Kiss (Operetta Paganini—Lehar-Herbert); The Old Tree (Diana Napier-Tauber).

12.40 J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. Operetta (Famous Operatic Melodies—arr. J. H. Squire); Ave Maria (Schubert, arr. Willoughby); Spring Song (Mendelssohn, arr. Willoughby); Phantom Minuet (Hope).

1.00 Time and Weather.

1.03 Albert Sandler and His Orchestra.

Yvonne (Horatio Nicholls); Trouble In Paradise (Weaver, Ager and Schwartz); Maruschka (De Leur); Cuban Serenade (G. Midgley); The Land Of Smiles—Patently Smiling (Lehar)—You are my Heart's Delight (Lehar); Soliloquy (Alan Murray); Gipsy Melody (Nelson and Knight); Illusions (Zigeuner Romance No. 4—Jacob Gado).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements.

1.40 Hawaiian Music.

South Sea Island Medley.... The Twilight Serenaders; Liliu E (Kauai).... Lillie Alohika with Royal Beautiful Woman (Kahale).... William Ewaliko Hawaiian Glee Club; A Little Rendezvous In Honolulu—Hawaiian Fox-Trot; Honolulu Stars And Hawaiian Glee Club—Hawaiian Fox-Trot; Roy Snick and His Hawaiian Serenaders; Tropical Hula.... South Sea Islanders.

2.00 Dance Records.

Swing Step—Don't Count Your Chickens; Slow Fox-Trot—House Beautiful.... Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra; Tango—Madecia D. Pompeya; Mi Musa Campa (film "Bolichie").... Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro; Fox-Trot—How Could You? (film "San Quentin").... Eddie Carroll and The Casani Club Orchestra.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00-7.00 Chinese Programme.

7.00 Variety and Dance Music.

Stompin' At The Savoy (Goodman, Webb, Sampson); Swing, Mister Charlie (Robinson, Taylor, Brooks).... Judy Garland (13 years old—Vocal); Big Chief De Soto—Novelty Fox-Trot; Cross Patch—Fox-Trot.... Bob Crosby and His Orchestra; Ten's No. 1—His Endurance (Crumbit, Curtis); Whoa, Josephine (Crumbit, Burt).... Frank Crumbit (Tenor); When The Sun Says "Goodnight To The Mountain—Fox-Trot; I'll Sing You A Thousand Love Songs—Fox-Trot (film "Cain and Mabel").... Roy Fox and His Orchestra; I Remember (Don Roman); St. Louis Blues (W. C. Handy); The Four Crotchets (Vocal Quartette) with Guitar; My Heart's In Old Killybeg—Waltz.... George Elliott and His Sweet Music Makers.

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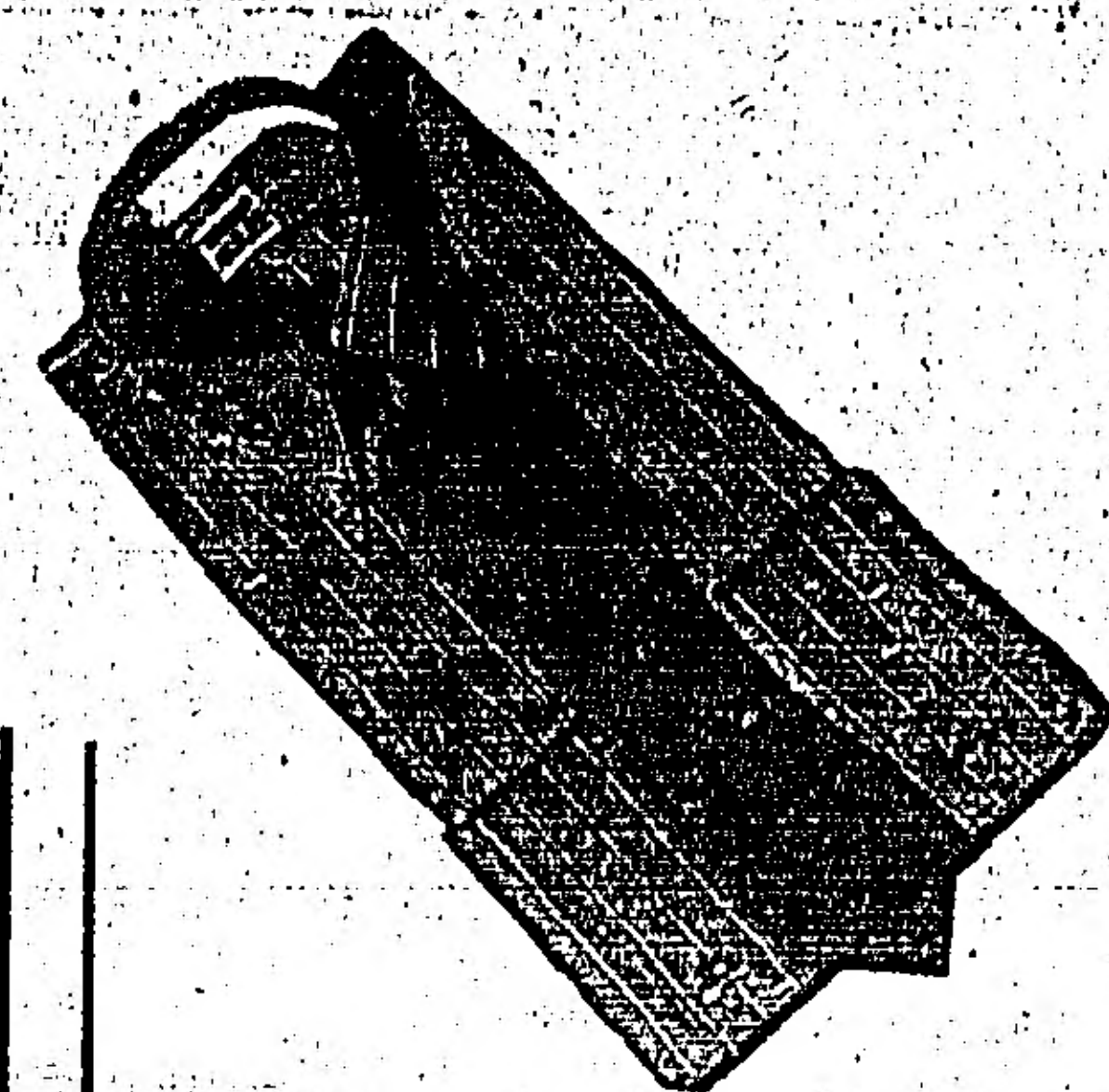
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"The Yeomen of the Guard" A Man Who Would Woo A Fair Maid.... Derek Oldham, Winifred Lawson and Nellie Brercliffe; When A Woeful Girl A Woeful Girl.... Winifred Lawson, Nellie Brercliffe, D. Oldham and G. Baker; Rapture Rapture, Rapture, D. Gill and P. Dawson; Comes The Pretty Young Bride.... Full Company; Leonard, My Loved One.... Winifred Lawson, Derek Oldham, George Baker and Chorus.

10.40 Variety and Dance Programmes.

Vocal—Famous Ballads by Frederick Weatherly.... Dennis Noble (Baritone); Cymbalum and Orchestra—Waltz No. 1 in E Flat (Durand); Red Rose.... Cymbalum Solo by Elee Colombo; Ragtime; Piano—The King's Horse (Gay, and Graham); Medley Of Marches.... Hale D. Costa; Vocal—Gertrude Lawrence (Soprano); Dance Orchestra—No Greater Love—Fox-Trot; Last-Post-Trot (Lombardo); and his Royal Canadiana; Orchestra—Grant Day—Selection (Rose, Ellson and Youmans).... Jack Payne and his B.L.C. Dance Orchestra; Dance Orchestra—Girls Were Made To Love and Kiss (Quillette); Love, Live For Ever—Waltz (both from Operetta "Pagliacci").... Victor Silvester and his B.L.C. Dance Orchestra.

11.00 Close Down.



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ANNUAL RACING CARNIVAL COMMENCES TO-MORROW

DOLLAR SWEEP WILL YIELD HUGE FORTUNE MR. ERIC MOLLER OUT TO WIN THE DERBY

(By "Captain Foster")

The Annual Race Meeting under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club will be staged to-morrow, when at 11 a.m. the first saddling bell will be chimed to indicate the opening of our 1938 racing season. After a lapse of over two months, the "Sport of Kings" will be resumed at the Happy Valley and the Carnival will be continued on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and conclude on Saturday next.

The Hongkong Jockey Club will start the ball rolling this evening at the Club House, Happy Valley, when three Selling Lotteries will be conducted on the Valley Stakes, the Hongkong Derby and the Hooley-Hill Derby. The cost of a chance is \$3. It is open to members and their friends, and all non-members must be introduced by a member and their names entered in the Visitors' Book. The drawing starts at 6 p.m., and I am certain that there will be some brisk bidding.

It may be interesting to know that when the notice relating to the above Selling Lotteries was sent out on January 24, an addendum intimated that the number of special dollar cash sweep on the Hongkong Derby had exceeded 95,000 tickets whereas the sale, at the time of writing, is nearing 205,000. In 1936 the sale of this popular dollar sweep amounted to 164,500, but last year the Hongkong Jockey Club could not sell more than 167,150 tickets.

All the sporting celebrities will spend their way to Happy Valley to-morrow and a record attendance is expected owing to the unprecedented demand for the special dollar cash sweep on the Hongkong Derby.

MR. MOLLER'S AMBITION
It is the ambition of the Shanghai challenger, Mr. Eric Moller, who has a great confidence in his nomination, Silkylight, to win the exclusive classic event and it will, I am sure, be a source of satisfaction to the old timer to lead in his China griffin at the head of the procession with his son, Mr. R. Moller as the jockey. The last Blue Riband captured by Shanghai was not very long ago, when Hydrolane, belonging to the well-known northern stable, Plane owned by Mr. S. C. Chang and piloted by Mr. B. Proulx, won the 1934 Hongkong Derby.

The Shanghai invasion is a strong one and the Carnival will be the richer by the presence of practically all the best Shanghai crack jockeys, namely,

Mr. C. Encarnacao
Mr. H. Matland
Mr. F. Marshall
Mr. R. B. Moller
Mr. V. V. Needs
Mr. A. W. Proulx
Mr. J. Pote-Hunt
Mr. W. Raymond
Mr. Y. K. Woon

With such an array of leading lights from the north, the Annual Carnival will be, without any fear of contradiction, one of the best race meetings in the annals of the Hongkong Jockey Club and it is to be hoped that Mr. C. Allen of the Weather will give us a little bit of the blue sky.

Owing to its sudden, slight, the outside track has not been used this season by the new-comers and under the circumstances I am afraid that the change from cinder to grass will affect the running of some subscribers and may give rise to some punters, be careful with your five dollar bill.

All the private boxes have had a good "clean up" but there is a lovely display of beautiful flowers on the lawns and the arrangement, especially in front of the Weighing Room, is really artistic.

NOT AN EASY TASK

I sincerely trust readers will appreciate that it is not an easy job to give tips, owing to the fact that practically all the ponies have two or more engagements per day at the Annual Race Meeting and, therefore, the task of ascertaining where they are going to start has always been a nasty problem for racing writers. With no help from the owners, there is no other recourse than to employ horse-sense to the best of one's knowledge.

After several weary months of "schooling" the Australian and China ponies to trotting exercises, and then breaking them to cantering and galloping movements, there is good reason to believe that all the trainers and riding boys must feel greatly relieved that the most important part of the game is over, but the success of each individual stable depends largely upon the element of luck which is a small factor in racing. It does look at times that a stable can do no wrong. Ponies win race after race with regularity but when the tide changes, there's no accounting and the steeds lose when least expected. However, it is only natural that some trainers will be disappointed with results next week while others will be celebrating.

WHO WIN THE DERBY?

Who is going to win the Hongkong Derby? These few words are hanging upon the lips of every racing enthusiast and my reply is: It is between Confusion Bay, Desert Chief and Silkylight. The order

named by me is not to be understood that they will cross the wire in that position, but they have only been arranged alphabetically. It is interesting to relate that the three candidates are stallions. Last year the winner (Happy Eve) and the second pony (Expansion Time) were from the opposite sex and it looks that a mare's chance of running to a place on Monday is very remote. It could give a false colouring should I attempt to suggest at this juncture that Desert Chief is now a "dead cert" for the major classic event, but, taking everything into consideration, I have no hesitation in saying that it must be a first class animal to prevent Mr. Charles Encarnacao from repeating his success of 1929 on President Hill for the first Chinese owner, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, O.B.E.

The performance of Desert Chief last Sunday over the champion course in 2.42 astounded every rail critic, for the chestnut stallion of Mr. Eu Tong-sen came home with a rattling pace of 29 seconds for the last two furlongs and the last half a-mile was covered in 59.3/5 seconds. Then Silkylight's second trial over the Derby course last Saturday in 3.10.3/5 must also be considered, but the only drawback was that the finish was not as exhilarating in comparison with Desert Chief's test. There is a rumour that neither Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Desert Chief nor Mr. Moller's Silkylight will be seen in action to-morrow, but they shall weigh out on Monday for the endurance test over 1 1/2 miles and it should be one of the finest races of the meeting.

There are 12 races on the first four days of the Carnival but only five events will be contested on the fifth day.

FAVOURITE ANNOUNCED FIT AGAIN

Liberty Bay Should
Win Any Time

The curtain-raiser, which will be the Fochow Cup for China ponies over 1 1/2 miles, has attracted only seven stagers, but I am pleased to see the inclusion of Liberty Bay and Trentbridge in the list of entries.

The former, belonging to Mr. Dumbur, was not raced during the whole of last year on account of being "doty," but it has now been given a clean certificate of health by the Club's Veterinary surgeon and the animal is looking well. Last Saturday the unbent steed had a steady canter over a mile in 2.09.2/5 and he did not give any trouble after the gallop. Liberty Bay has also been entered for China Stakes and the New Stables Plate, but he must win wherever he starts. Mrs. Pearce's nomination had not appeared in public after running to a third place in the Ladies' Purse with Mr. "Peanut" Marshall up on February 20, 1935 and although he has been certified as O.K., I am afraid the grey nag is a little backward in form. However, I figure that the field of the opening event will be on the small side and the order of the finish should be Liberty Bay, Trentbridge and Soldier of Honour.

BIG FIELD ASSURED FOR MAIDEN STAKES

We shall not be disappointed in the subsequent event, the Maiden Stakes for China ponies, bona fide griffins of this season over six furlongs, for there should be at least over a dozen starters. After having watched the training of these Derby griffins for the last few months, I made up my mind last week that the "Hundred" Eve should have no difficulty in providing Mr. Marshall



This picture was taken on board the Aramis when the Islington Corinthians arrived in the Colony on Wednesday. Mr. H. Smith, manager of the touring team, is seen in the centre, with P. B. Clark, the captain, looking over his shoulder. Officials of the South China A.A., hosts of the Islington Corinthians during their stay in the Colony, are also in the photo, taken by our Staff Photographer.

SYDNEY MAIDEN STAKES Divided Into Two Sections

The Sydney Maiden Stakes over six furlongs, confined to Australian Sub-griffins of this meeting will be divided into two divisions and the Stewards will determine by lot in which section the ponies will start. Attention of owners is directed to the fact that the result of the draw (which I have not as yet seen at time of writing) does not relieve them of the responsibility of declaring their ponies as starters in the usual manner on the form provided, not less than 45 minutes before the time fixed for the race. The first section will be the third event while the second sections will be contested before the running of the Trial Plate, and my final selections will appear to-morrow. It will be recalled that this year's consignment of Australian ponies came from Queensland and under the circumstances the off-springs are not yet fully known to the followers of the turf. I have come across one or two good judges of horse-flesh and they think that we have a nice batch of racers. At any rate we have not much information about the sires, the names claiming Murray River, Sea Spray, A Lovely Time, Tornado Star, Annabella and King's Privilege not being mentioned on the list provided by the Hongkong Jockey Club. I presume that the last three named must have come from a good stud-farm, for all of them have good legs and nice "streamline." It would of course be advisable for Little Audrey, who was sired by Wool Tax, to keep a sharp look out on these three maidens. Ocean Force is responsible for Bredon and Boris, the former being Mr. Proulx's mount and if Bredon does well, her brother Boris should be considered in the pari-mutuel. Pavonian is the sire of Griffel and the daughter is good for short distances. Tom McCarthy claims Lovely Day, Lucky Lad and Sea Urchin and they should be watched after the "best" ones have been barred. It is to be hoped that King's Privilege and Little Audrey will not be drawn in the same section for the latter is too good over six furlongs. Murray River is, in my opinion, a good milker.

HAPPY EVE MAY WIN SHORT RACE Will Meet Strong Opposition

In the China Stakes for China ponies which is a sprint from the 1 1/2 mile post, we should see a good race between our fast smashers. Near Cien, Happy Eve, Oak Bay and Soldier of Britain for the first position in the frame and my fancy is Happy Eve. Royal Scot was a good mare in her prime (the winner of St. George's Plate and the American Cup) but after running second to Soldier of Britain in the May Handicap on May 30, 1936, she was on the walking list for a long time. She was then sent to Tientsin where she had no racing at all in 1937 and I am of the opinion that she is not yet fit for the big meeting.

with the first winning mount of the meeting. This chestnut gelding of the Eve stable has legs faster than a motor cycle, for he is capable of jumping off with 28 seconds for the first quarter and furthermore the aspirant is a speedy merchant over a sprint. Mr. Eu Tong-sen's Cameorian is another good "gini" for short distances, but the former is, I think, the release of the top. Advancing Time and Jober will not be a bad bet for big money.

"Your Good Work Remains Behind!"

Major D. H. Steers, O.B.E., R.E., relinquished the post of Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Rifle Association last evening at the second annual general meeting of the Association. His successor is Brevet-Major G. P. Murray, who was elected unanimously.

The enviable position held by rifle shooting in the Colony to-day can be traced directly to the untiring efforts of Major Steers, whose name will for ever be associated with the remarkable progress made by the H.K.R.A. during the last two years.

During this short space of time, Major Steers has not only placed the H.K.R.A. on a sound working basis, but has also made it into one of the biggest—if not actually the biggest—organisations in the British Empire. Only yesterday afternoon, the 900th member was enrolled.

Rifle shooting enthusiasts are fully cognisant of the work which Major Steers has done. A presentation is to be made to him before he leaves the Colony, as a token of appreciation of the Council and members of the Hongkong Rifle Association.

We can sincerely and truly say to Major Steers, "Your good work remains behind!"

SHEFFIELD UNITED BEATEN

Great Opportunity
Allowed To Slip

London, Feb. 17.
Sheffield United lost a great opportunity of increasing their lead in the Second Division of the English Football League to-day when, on their own ground, they lost to Manchester United by the odd goal in three.

SECOND DIVISION
Sheffield U. 1 Manchester U. 2
—Reuter.

WONG-NEI-CHONG STAKES

To Be Split Up Into
Two Divisions

The Wong-Nel-Chong Stakes for China ponies, subscription griffins of this season, over half-a-mile will also be divided into two divisions by the Stewards in the same manner as in the running of the Sydney Maiden Stakes. The result of the draw is not yet known and I cannot therefore discuss the prospects of any ponies. However the first section will be contested before lunch while the second will follow immediately after the 11th interval, which race is fixed to be run off at 3 p.m. I have a long list of half-milers but I like Bestevaer, Cricketer, Dark Hazard, Dekko, Ferrybridge, Lucky Eleven, Mongolian Cat and (Continued on Page 9.)

Don Bradman's Test Tactics Analysed

(By A Correspondent)

The startling thing about the Australian team that is to tour England this coming summer is the dearth of bowling of more than medium pace.

With the exception of McCormick, a tearaway fast bowler who must be used in short spells, there does not appear to be a man among them faster than McCabe.

One could understand a team possessing an M. A. Noble, a J.W.H.T. Douglas or a Hammond being content to take a chance and include only one fast bowler but McCabe, though perhaps the third best batsman in the world is somewhat less formidable than R.E.S. Wyatt with the new ball, and Wyatt would probably describe himself as a second eleven sort of bowler except against Yorkshire.

There is one other omission, which will fill the heart of more than one English batsman with surprise and fresh hope, and that is the dropping of Grimmer. At Manchester in 1934, on a heartbreaking wicket, when England's whole policy was to force the pace Grimmer sent down seventy-four overs for 150 runs. If Ward is preferred to him he must be a better bowler in Australian eyes than in those of most English critics.

Bowlers For The Tests

There is, of course, another side to the picture. Bradman has had a hand in choosing his team, and he should know well enough what bowling resources he needs.

For the Test matches he may expect McCormick, O'Reilly, Fleetwood-Smith, and Ward to suffice, but if there is a doubt about the weather he can bring in White's left-arm spin and White is a better ball than the other bowlers. He has also a good stock bowler in Waite, while the fielding of the team should be good enough to lend an edge to almost any steady bowling.

The effectiveness of an attack depends more on its quality than on its variety. Gregory and McDonald will be shudderingly remembered by the batsmen who had to face them in 1921. Grimmer and O'Reilly in 1934 needed only the addition of a little steady change bowling to complete an attack that was up to Test match standard. The question which must remain open until the Australians have settled down—is how good are O'Reilly, Fleetwood-Smith, McCormick, Ward, and Co. going to prove?

The calibre of the batting may be deduced from the single fact that Gregory has failed to gain his place in the side.

An Opening Pair

Fingleton and Brown suggest themselves as the opening pair, with Bradman, McCabe, Badcock, and Chipperfield to follow at long intervals; and there are also Hassett and Barnes to be reckoned with. Barnes is said to be only nineteen or twenty, but he seems like a brilliant batsman in the making.

Four of Australia's eight batsmen will have to adapt themselves to the English climate and to English wickets and the probability is that one or two of them will be no more than moderately successful. The experience of several of our most promising young players in Allen's Australian tour is fresh enough in the memory to need no underlining. Australia's team has been chosen after a season of rather drab cricket, judging from the scores and reports. Most strange of all, Bradman has been subdued. He has recently played more than one innings at a mere

Islington Corinthians Have Free Day

The Islington Corinthians, who are now in the Colony in the course of their world tour, are not encumbered by official functions to-day. No doubt many of them will avail themselves of the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the city.

They will commence their football programme in Hongkong to-morrow afternoon when they meet South China A.A. at Caroline Hill. The game starts at 4 p.m.

thirty runs an hour. Have the Australians then learned how to reduce this marvel to the level of other men, and, if so, can we copy their methods?

The one person in the country who may have positive ideas on the subject of keeping Bradman quiet, beyond the obvious one of never dropping the ball a shade short of a length, is that thoughtful student of the game, Hedley Verity. He at least should be consulted by England's next captain, and his advice earnestly pondered.

Bradman abides our question in one more respect. Will he, in 1938, prove himself the equal of Trumper and Macartney on doubtful wickets? Can he learn to live dangerously, yet not too recklessly? Let us hope at least that the coming season will put him to the test.

Confidence In Bradman

The Australian reliance on spin-bowling suggests that Bradman expects our climate to do its worst for him. He is prepared to play us at our own game of rain-affected-wickets. It is to be hoped that the policy of subordinating the other matches of the tour to the Tests—a policy of which both countries have been guilty in the past—will not be further developed. A little more batting practice, just to please the crowd, is permissible enough after you are in a position to declare; but a draw forced when you have the whip hand, so far from being cricket, is not even chess.

Australia have one advantage that they have not lately enjoyed—complete confidence in their captain. There has been a certain amount of grumbling in other Australian tours, and there was sufficient discontent when Bradman was appointed captain against C. C. Allen for the sensational Tests to make it into a news item. That became a thing of the past when Bradman carried the team on his shoulders in the later Tests of the series, and this coming tour should be quite free from bickering, bartering, or—how short are memories, I had almost forgotten it—body-line bowling.

A. D. C.

PRESENTS

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Feb. 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th at 9.15 p.m.

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OLYMPIC CHAIRMAN MAKES STATEMENT

Chicago, Feb. 12.
Mr. Avery Brundage, president of the American Olympic Committee, to-day made a public declaration to the effect that the feelings of Great Britain and America towards the Japanese invasion of China did not constitute a reason for cancelling the holding of the 1940 Olympics or for refusing to participate in the games. —Havas.

SPORT ADVTS.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1938.
19th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd and 26th
February, 1938.

On Saturday 19th, Monday 21st, Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd February, the first race will be rung at 11 a.m. and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, 26th February, the first race will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The 15th interval will be after the fifth race on the first four days of the Meeting.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURES.

Members are reminded that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a member, such member to be responsible for all debts, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosures will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING, (Tel. 27704) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box, Tel. 21920.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting. No amahs will be allowed on the Fifth Day.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax. Bookmakers, Tie Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tickets will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 1st floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1938.

KWANTI RACES

Postponed Steeplechase Meeting will be held on Sunday, 20th February, 1938.
Train leaves Kowloon 1.25 p.m.
First Race 2.45 p.m.

THE FANLING HUNT & RACE CLUB

China New Year Meeting,
20th February, 1938.

KWANTI

Owing to the rain the condition of the country precludes holding "The Australian Country Cup", Race No. 2 is accordingly cancelled; Entry money will be refunded, and in place the following race is substituted:—

No. 2—"Australian Hunters' Hurdle"—1½ miles for Australian ponies that have been entered for The Australian Country Cup. Catchweight 160 lbs. WINNER a Cup or \$50; 2nd \$25; 3rd \$15. Post Entries. Entry Fee \$3.

Dinner To Be Given To Corinthians

A dinner in honour of the Kingston Corinthians, given by the Hongkong Football Association, will be held in the Hongkong Hotel on Thursday, February 24, at 8 p.m.

SCHOOL MATCH

A drawn game between Ellis Kadoorie Indian School and Ellis Kadoorie Chinese School was played yesterday.
Chinamen led at half time 2-1. Both their goals were scored by Shuen Hon-chun and A. A. Tide netted for the Indians. The equaliser came from Tide a few minutes before time.

PEAK SCHOOL SPORTS

Owing to uncertain weather conditions, it has been decided to postpone the Peak School Sports until Wednesday, March 2, at 2.45 p.m.

RACING NOTES BY "CAPTAIN FOSTER"

(Continued from Page 8.)

National Dignity. My final nominations will appear to-morrow.

Ponies Reserved For Big Race
Second Class Runners For Trial Plate

Figuring that Confusion Bay, Desert Chief and Silkylight will be especially reserved for the Hongkong Derby on Monday, the Trial Plate for China ponies griffins over the champion course should draw a good field of second class youngsters of this season. Either Handicap Eve or Half-Moon Eve will start here, the latter being the better animal and the mare should be well up at the finish. National Pride seems to me to be about the best of this crowd, but the real danger is Just in Time. After the running of this event, one would be in a better position to get "a clear line" on all ponies.

VALLEY STAKES RIVALRY

Success For Dutch Owner?

We now come to the long waited trial The Valley Stakes, over six furlongs for China ponies and sub-griffins of the day double is on the leg of the main event of the day. The winner of this important classic is to receive \$1,000. The probable starters and jockeys are as follows:

Pony	Jockey
All Baba	A. W. Raymond
Arabian Cat	H. C. Pih
Borachito	N. S. S. S.
Cherry Blossom	A. L. T. T.
Cherry Blossom	R. B. Moller
Cleaver	B. P. P.
Easy Time	J. Pote-Hunt
Fei Ying	F. Marshall
Final Triumph	K. S. S.
Golden Cow	IP K. Y. Y.
Golden Cow	S. C. Liang
Golden Cow	T. T. T.
Golden Cow	W. G. Poy
Golden Cow	W. H. S. Davis
Golden Cow	V. V. V.
Golden Cow	D. Black
Golden Cow	C. Encarnacao
Golden Cow	P. Botelho
Golden Cow	K. W. W.
Golden Cow	H. M. M.

There is no better guide than the stopwatch to ascertain the speed and I have found, since the publication of the training times, that the best performance over the Valley Stakes distance was by Piet Hein. It has always been the ambition of every owner to capture the sprint classic event and it looks that the bay gelding belonging to the stable Hollandia has a golden opportunity to present his card first to the judges. It will be remembered that Piet Hein covered the length of the course in 1.35.3/5 and his achievement over six furlongs was the best of this year among the sub-griffins. The "life wire" of the Dutch syndicate is Mr. B. J. Israel, manager of the Netherlands India Commercial Bank while Dr. F. A. van Woerden, the Dutch Consul and Mr. W. A. J. Aarnout are the sleeping partners. All of them, I am sure, have the best wishes of all the "early birds" and it is to be hoped that the Hollandia syndicate will be the first Dutch owners to annex the much coveted

Valley Stakes. However in every big fight, there is always a lot of challengers and the chief opposition comes from All Baba, Fei Ying, Smiling Thru and Planche.

CURRAGH HANDICAP

Rosemary Allotted Top Weight

In the Curragh Handicap for "C" class China ponies over a mile, we have not to consider the chance of Rosemary, who has been allotted top-weight, as the mare is on the walking list. There should be a good race between Boolat Bay, Bright View, Seaside View, Soldier of China, Tyne and Vira, the last named being in fine fettle. Commencement Bay is looking extremely well and I would recommend this grey for a long shot.

DIFFICULT TO SPOT WINNER

21 Entries For Bendigo Stakes

The Bendigo Stakes over a mile for B & C classes of Australian ponies of last season has drawn 21 entries and spotting the winner is not easy. Bug Tor has improved immensely and he has not much poundage to carry. A mile is, I am afraid, out of Zodiac's prowess but the mare is dangerous and may upset the apple-cart.

KING'S WARDEN SHOULD WIN

Not Likely To Be Many Entries

The last event, the New Stables Plate, for China ponies over a distance from the two mile post, once round and in, will not have more than a handful of runners and King's Warden should pass the post first with Wild Life and Cossack's Beauty to follow behind.

Entries Split Into Two Sections
Sydney Maiden And Wongneichong Stakes

The two divisions in the Sydney Maiden Stakes and in the Wongneichong Stakes were drawn yesterday and resulted as follows:

The Sydney Maiden Stakes, First Section.—A Better Time, Annabella, Arina, Black Tim, Cape York, Colorado Star, Lily, Lucky Lad, Murray River, Sea Spray, Sea Urchin, The Butler, Tornado Star.

The Sydney Maiden Stakes, Second Section.—A Lovely Time, Boris, Breton, Criffel, King's Privilege, Little Audrey, Lovely Day, Macquarie River, Maya, National Crisis, Olga, Rex, Sea Hawk, Sydney Bridge.

The Wongneichong Stakes, First Section.—Be Yourself, Captain Blood, Cuban Love, Desert Star, Double Up, Final Triumph, Five Rulers, Full Mark, Gobi Star, Golden Brew, Golden Cow, Golden Idol, Labour



Merle Oberon and Brian Aherne in "Beloved Enemy," the Samuel Goldwyn film which comes to the King's Theatre on Sunday.

"GERMANY SHOULD WIN THE DAVIS CUP"

—Says "Bill" Tilden

Singapore, Feb. 7. "Germany should win the Davis Cup this year," predicted tall "Big Bill" Tilden when he passed through Singapore yesterday. "England has no chance this year. Austin is talking of retiring and without Austin where is England?" he added.

"We are four individual players who happen to be travelling together," he said. "All games we play are played as real matches. They are not staged." In Egypt and India the party broke all attendance records. In 42 days they played 29 matches in India.

Tilden was emphatic that professional tennis improved a player's game. Perry had told him that his game had gone up 15 after six weeks of professional tennis. "It stands to reason that a man's game must improve in professional tennis, where he is continually playing against first class men," he said. "Cochet is playing better tennis now than he ever did as an amateur."

Singapore will have a tennis treat at the end of this month when Tilden, Cochet, Ramillon and Burke stage a round robin tournament at the Happy World Stadium from February 24 to February 27. They will play at the Selangor Club, Kuala Lumpur, on February 28 and March 1.

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At Singapore, three singles matches and a doubles match will be played, so that the public will see a different combination of players each day. The matches are authorised by the Lawn Tennis Association of Malaya, which will provide umpires and line-men.

The covered-in boxing stadium at the Happy World has been specially converted into a hard tennis court for the matches and it is expected that more than 20,000 seats will be available. The matches are being sponsored by Mr. Julian Frankel.

TABLE TENNIS

Yesterday's table tennis results were: W. J. Skinner forfeit to Chen Kok-wing, A. M. Botelho lost to Fung Kok-hoo 0-3, L. J. Remedios lost to Lee Hon-kun 0-3, W. J. Skinner forfeit to Shau Shui, A. M. Botelho lost to Lee King-kwong 1-3, L. J. Remedios lost to Lau Kok-chil 0-3, Fung Kok-hoo lost to Yee King-kwong 2-3.

JAPANESE DELEGATE

Tokyo, Feb. 10. Professor Jigoro Kano, the chief Japanese delegate to the International Olympic Committee, has sailed for Cairo via Singapore by the Hakozaki Maru.—United Press.

LINDRUM'S VICTORY

Sydney, Feb. 17. Closing scores in the billiards match were Lindrum 16,409 and McConachy (in play) 10,573.—Reuter Bulletin.

Day, Lancashire Chap, Lucky Eleven, Lucky Seven, Meteor, Mongolian Cat, National Triumph, Palmer, Platinum, Rexiana, Sahara Star, Symie, The Great Triumph, The Scholar, Tommy, Victory.

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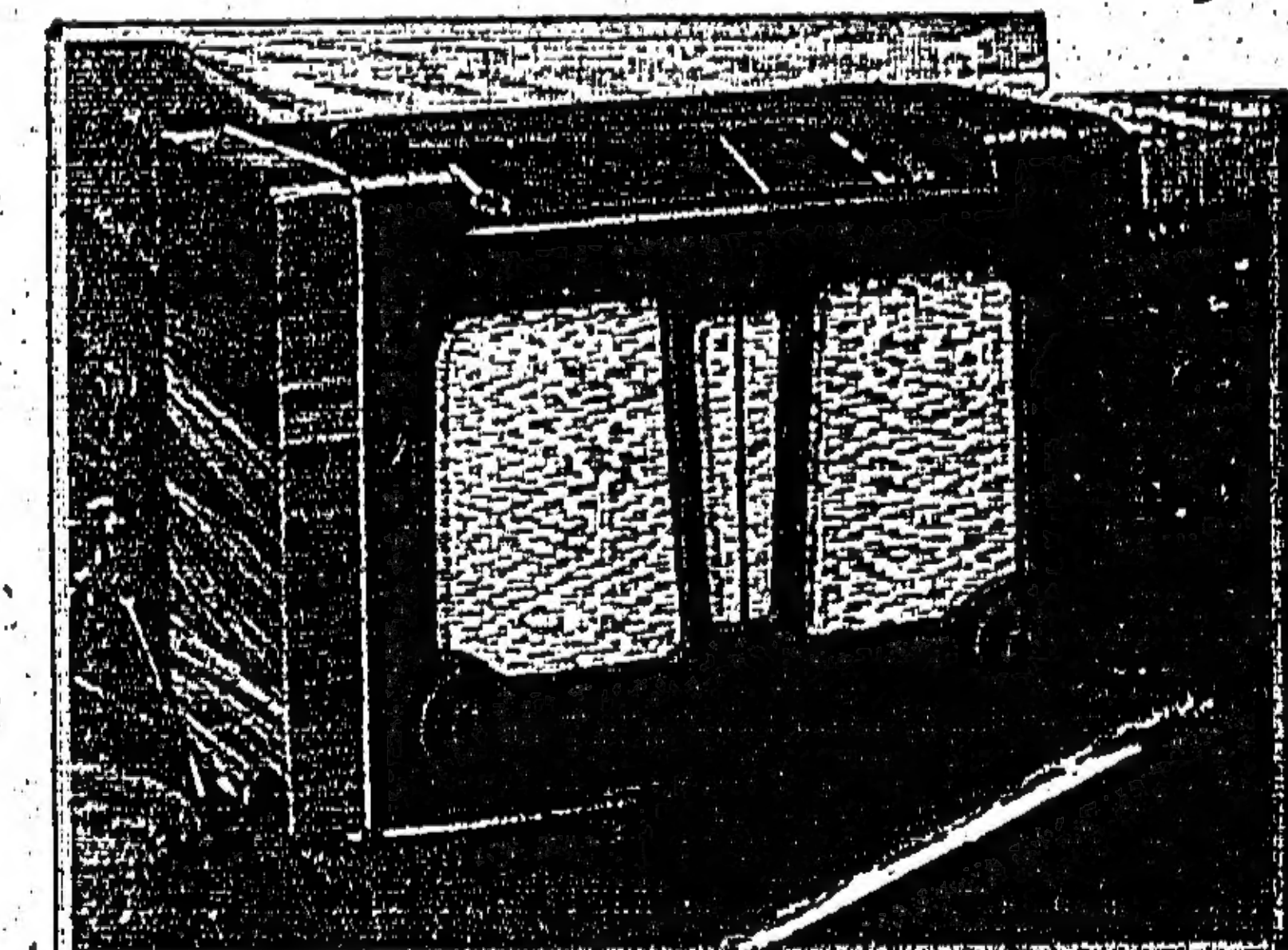
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Barney Glasgow, once a shanty boy, married Emmy Louise, a girl, his boss' daughter, and became the most powerful lumber baron in Wisconsin. At fifty Barney became desperately infatuated with Lotta Dostrom, the nineteen-year-old daughter of his old friend, Sven. Emmy, Barney's daughter, was in love with a mill hand and Richard, his son, in an attempt to get Lotta out of his father's way had fallen in love with her himself. Unaware of this were Barney and Sven.

Chapter Six

Barney entered the darkened house and mounted the stairs two at a time, hoping to find Emmy Louise still awake. She was. Before reaching the subject uppermost in his mind he decided to tell her about Ervle and Tony. As he expected, she took it badly.

"Aren't you going to stop it?" she cried indignantly.

"You can't stop a thing like that—not when two people really love each other. No, Emmy Louise, you let her alone," he begged himself and continued with quiet force, "she's not going to make the same mistake you and I did."

Emmy Louise looked at him with startled eyes, hardly daring to understand.

"I want a divorce," he went on. "I'll give you anything you want—"



"Lotta and I are gonna be married," Richard began.

all the money you can spend—you can write your own ticket and I'll see that it's all kept quiet—no scandal, no Glasgow, you're crazy!" Emmy Louise broke in, her face distorted with fright. "Are you in love with someone? Is it that girl of Sven's? Are you trying to trade an old wife for a new one? You're another of those silly middle-aged rich men that want to marry a young girl and be able to fool off."

"I'm asking for freedom, Emmy Louise," Barney said evenly.

"You're a fool! You're an idiot! You married me and a fortune with me. You never cared for me, did you? Answer me!" Then, as Barney said nothing, she continued hysterically, "No, don't say it! I know it's true, I've always known how you feel. But I loved you—you could never understand loving like that—I was like a dog crawling after you."

"I'm terribly sorry," Barney said almost in a whisper.

"Don't do this to me," she begged. "I know you'll leave me if you want but I'll never give you a divorce—never! You'll never marry that girl if I can help it!"

Barney looked at his wife in anger and contempt. What was the use? He started for the door, his feet dragging. Behind him there was a sharp cry. Her hands outstretched, trembling, Emmy Louise came toward him. She was sinking to her knees. He caught her quickly, roughly. She looked at him with terrible, tragic eyes.

"You're all I've ever had in the world. I don't care who Ervle married—if you'll only stay with me! If you say he's all right, it's all right with me—anything you say, only don't leave me!"

Sinking into a chair, Emmy Louise buried her head in her arms and began to weep in long, tearing sobs. A torrent of pity welled up within Barney, pity so great that even his reason was shaken. With awkward gentleness he put his hand on her shoulder and walked from the room.

The Glasgow house was filled with wedding guests. Ervle and Tony were being married. When the ceremony was over Ervle looked at Tony with love and pride shining in her eyes; her dream

had come true at last. Emmy Louise, Ervle's daughter, looked so happy, she couldn't help crying just a little. Mrs. Schwelke smiled at Ervle in her ample, motherly arms. Sven, Marie and Lotta crowded around and wished the couple happiness.

When Ervle had changed into her travelling dress she stopped at Richard's room expecting to find Tony there. The door was slightly ajar and she suddenly stopped, paralyzed by what she saw. Richard and Lotta were standing in the middle of the room, locked in each other's arms. They were completely oblivious of her presence.

Ervle walked quickly down the stairs and detached her father from a circle of smiling friends. She kissed him tenderly.

"Do me one more favor," she said. "Let my hair with the railroad tickets up in Richard's room."

Barney chuckled and went upstairs. At the threshold of Richard's door he stopped dead in his tracks. Richard was kissing Lotta with passionate adoration. At the sound of his entrance they turned, their arms still entwined. Ervle's face was terrible to behold. His mouth hung open and he was breathing like a man who had been smothered without a word of warning. He lunged at Richard. Richard ducked, evading him.

"Lotta and I are gonna be married," he began.

"You fool!" cried Barney. "She's my girl—she's my girl!"

At this unpropitious moment the Americans elected to send a warship, the Maine, to Havana.

The explanation that the Maine had been sent to pay a courtesy visit deceived nobody and was regarded by the Spaniards as a gratuitous insult to their intelligence.

They protested, but were too late to stop the Maine; all that they could do by way of reprisal was to send one of their own cruisers to New York.

The Maine arrived in Havana to find a chilly reception. The Spaniards, in their indignation, had exaggerated her size and armament. Actually she was a second-class battleship of 6,022 tons, carrying four ten-inch and six six-inch guns.

The authorities of Havana were frigidly polite to her commander, Captain Sigbee, and his officers, and no more than the usual courtesies were shown to the passengers in the ferry-boat boats and called as they crossed the harbor's bows, and when Captain Sigbee attended a bullfight, he was received by a battery of black looks.

However, the Americans had not been expecting bouquets and torches, and the Spaniards in good part. On the evening of February 15 all was quiet aboard and in the city. It was a heavy, rather breathless night, following a hot, sunless day.

The cafes were still full of people when at 20 minutes to ten something happened which sent everyone hurrying to the water's edge.

A report, as though a sporting gun had been fired, was followed by a tremendous explosion, and from the spot where, a moment before, the Maine had been lying at anchor, a great column of flame and smoke rose skyward.

For some minutes the smoke hid everything, and when it cleared all that could be seen of the battleship was a burning heap of wreckage crowded with men.

Boats were lowered by an American steamer and a Spanish cruiser, and the survivors were taken off, but the casualties were terrible; 254 men perished, and only 100 were rescued.

What had happened? The accounts of the survivors were differing slightly.

Captain Sigbee, who was writing letters in his cabin at the time, described the explosion as "a burning, rending and crashing sound." He also declared that immediately afterwards he had heard cheering from the ship.

One man described a "trembling and buckling of the decks," followed by an explosion; another saw the whole starboard side of the deck "spring up in the air."

SOME were positive there had been two explosions; others were equally sure they had heard only one. All were agreed on the violence of what had happened. The ship had been split in pieces, and men had been tossed about like scraps of paper.

The inevitable trouble began. The Spanish newspapers expressed their profound sorrow that, probably owing to some defect in construction, the Maine should have blown up and so many brave men have lost their lives.

The American papers registered their burning indignation at the treacherous destruction of one of their battleships lying in the harbour of a so-called friendly Power.

The Governments of both countries announced that an inquiry must be held, and within a week two rival courts were sitting. The obvious alternative of one court of neutral judges does not appear to have occurred to either party.

THE END

TO-DAY IN HISTORY

Spark That Started The Spanish-American War

IN February, 1898, the Spaniards were still wearily trying to reduce their refractory Cubans to order. Cuba, as the last fragment of their great American Empire, was very precious to them and they were most reluctant to allow her to go the way of the other colonies from revolt to independence.

But while the Spaniards controlled the towns and the coastline, the interior of the island was seething with rebellion, whole tracts being in the hands of Autonomists, who carried on a constant guerrilla warfare against the troops sent to suppress them.

Nearly as serious as the rebellion was the attitude of the United States. The Spaniards had been in Cuba before the Americans were in America, so that there could be no question of invoking the Monroe Doctrine; but the American newspapers openly expressed their hope that the upshot of the troubles would be the final expulsion of Spain from the New World and were already beginning to talk of intervention.

Forty Years Ago
To-Day the American Cruiser Maine Sank in Cuba

The proceedings of both inquiries were necessarily restricted. The Spaniards, who professed their belief in an interior explosion, had the run of the harbour, but could hardly trespass on the wreckage or instal overmach on examining survivors. The Americans, who were sure that the Maine had been mined or torpedoed, were unable, in the delicate state of international relations, to insist on searching the harbour and the Spanish defences.

Each inquiry, in short was precluded from exploring the ground where its members might expect to find evidence confirming their preconceived theories.

The Spaniards got their report out first. Since there were no mines in Havana harbour and no one could have fired a torpedo without official cognisance, the explosion, they argued, must have been internal.

They went on to make a number of interesting and—to the Americans—highly irritating suggestions as to what could have caused it. Spontaneous combustion in the coal bunkers, perhaps, or an accident in the magazine, or the generation of gas in a watertight compartment, or some carelessness in leaving inflammable materials about.

The American inquiry had the advantage of being able to carry out a thorough inspection of the wreckage. Divers were sent down, and although it was impossible to discover much from a tangled mass of steel imbedded in soft mud, they did bring to light certain facts.

It appeared that the bottom plating of the ship had been violently bent and "the keel" similarly bent and broken, a result which in the opinion of the court, could only have been produced by the explosion of a mine.

the truth? The question is important. If the Maine was blown up by the Spaniards the Americans could scarcely be blamed for their drastic action; but if the explosion was internal American intervention was unjustified.

There can be little doubt as to how the Maine was destroyed. In 1911, at immense expense, the wreckage was brought to the surface and examined. The most important discovery was a curved bottom plate, which indicated, almost beyond question, that at this point the Maine had come in contact with a mine.

Immediately above the plate was the six-inch magazine, where black powder was stored, which must have been ignited by the explosion.

There are of course, two sorts of mines, those which explode on contact and those which are controlled by electric cable. Since the Spaniards would hardly have scattered the first sort in a harbour full of shipping, the Maine must have been destroyed by one of the second.

When the Spaniards declared that they could find no trace of an electric cable in the harbour, they were lying and knew that they were lying.

FROM Spanish sources it is clear that the harbour of Havana was protected by mines, 100 of which had been sent out from Spain the year before. The anchorage of the Maine being fixed by the port authorities, it is probable that an electrically controlled mine was placed at the spot where she would lie.

Curiously enough, on the evening of the explosion she had swung round on her moorings until she was out a thorough inspection of the wreckage. Divers were sent down, and although it was impossible to discover much from a tangled mass of steel imbedded in soft mud, they did bring to light certain facts.

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In view of the strained relations between Spain and the United States the precaution was perfectly legitimate. To this day no one knows how or by whom that mine was fired. The secret is perhaps locked away among records at Madrid; or perhaps it was thought wiser that there should be no documentary evidence.

But the Spaniards must have discovered the true cause and tried to conceal it.

It can scarcely be supposed that the authorities themselves were so mad as to fire the mine. But it may be that on the night of Feb. 15 someone obtained access to the electrical gear controlling the mines in the harbour. He saw, by the dropping of a shutter, that the Maine was in contact with a mine, and he could not resist the temptation.

The moment of exhilaration which he must have enjoyed was dearly bought at the price of Spain's colonial empire.

FURTHER, the Court had little difficulty in squashing all the ingenious suggestions put forward by its Spanish rival.

The two courts could not be left to agree to differ, and a month later Congress recognised the independence of Cuba, and instructed President McKinley to take such measures as might be necessary to expel the Spanish forces from the island.

The Spanish Minister at Washington at once demanded his passports, and so began the war, which was to be a continuous disaster for Spain.

But what, it may be asked, was colonial empire.

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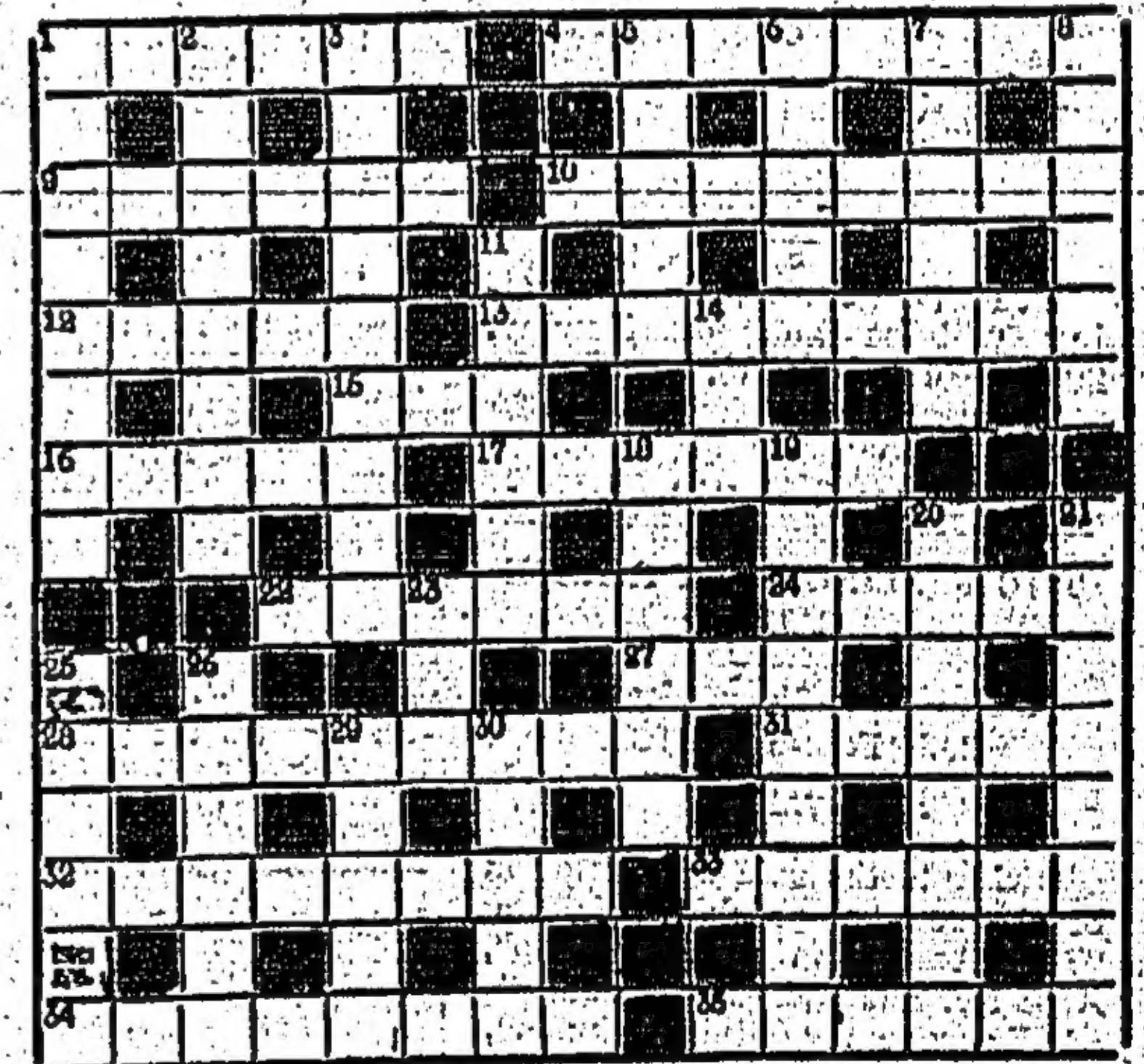
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- Descriptive of perfect service at tennis (9).
- Bird (3).
- English girl who is always in France (5).
- Material from a llama (6).
- Heraldic metal (6).
- Town of Belgium (5).
- Bird (3).
- This man might be of use in two capacities on a cattleboat (9).
- River of France (6).
- Languid like a lady who has lost her shopping memoranda (6).
- This knight was a British dramatist (6).
- Evidence of underground excavation (8).
- Experienced, not necessarily in poetry (6).

DOWN

- If this useful work was not straight it would be cheating (6).
- Town to be found in Yorkshire or Surrey (6).
- This ship is obviously capable of doing damage (6).
- A foreign soldier (4).

- When you have lost your way it is pleasing to get this direction (5).
- Useful to the planter (6).
- Summary (6).
- On fire of course, obviously (6).
- Always to be seen in a pleasant landscape (3).
- A new idea is obvious (6).
- A stage flower (9).
- Brave advice to the timid (6).
- This English town shows where to cross the river (8).
- Vapour (3).
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JAPANESE IN STRONG POSITION

Yellow River Only Impediment To Important Advance

Shanghai, Feb. 18. Foreign military observers here regard the Japanese march towards the Yellow River as the most important development in the Sino-Japanese hostilities since the fall of Nanking. These operations, and the attendant thrust on the Lunghai railway, are considered rather more vital than the battle for Hsuehchow.

The two main objectives of the Japanese are, firstly, to gain control of the Lunghai railway, and secondly, to form a junction between the forces operating from the north and south. In accomplishing these objectives they would possess the only railway running into the very heart of China, and would obtain full control of Kiangsu, Shanghai and Hopei.

Observers lay a great deal of emphasis upon the moral effect upon the Japanese if they cross that section of the Yellow River traversing Honan, which, for many centuries, has been the great dividing line. This achievement would make the Japanese feel they had made a major advance in the campaign.

Japanese operations, however, will continue to present difficulties so long as Changchun in northern Honan, remains their base of operations, for it is a good 75 miles from the Yellow River.

Under efficient generalship, foreign observers believe that it would not be difficult for the Chinese to prevent the Japanese from crossing the Yellow River, but Chinese failures elsewhere have not stimulated optimism. Once across the Yellow River, the Japanese would be able to reach Chengchow without difficulty. A glance at the map shows that the Lunghai railway is a sort of cross-bar between the Peiping-Hankow and Tientsin-Pukow railways. The fall of either of the junction cities—Chengchow or Hsuehchow—is expected by observers to make the other untenable, except at the risk of huge casualties.—Reuter.

SEIYUKAI PARTY MAY DISSOLVE

Tokyo, Feb. 18. Convocation of an emergency general meeting of the Seiyukai, to discuss dissolution of the party and affiliation with the projected national political organisation is urged by Mr. Ichiro Kono, the party leader. A group of Seiyukais have already discussed the question at a meeting in the Diet Building.—Reuter.

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE WILL CLOSE

The Hongkong Stock Exchange will be closed at noon on February 21 and 22, race days.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with the radio station—Vogland, Ward, Fresno City, Fulda, Jeypore, Fingal, Changste, Empress Of Canada, Minco Maru, Simmler, Aramis, President Grant, Tainan, Talyuan, La Plata Maru, Strathmore, Hakusan Maru, and Fushimi Maru.

SPECIAL TREATMENT FOR RUMANIA'S QUEEN

Bucharest, Feb. 17. Queen Marie of Rumania, who has been seriously ill during the past year, left for Italy today for special treatment.—Reuter Bulletin.

STOP PRESS

INDIAN KILLED IN FIGHT

Two Indians have been taken into custody and another is dead as the result of a fight on Green Island last night.

Dead from injuries alleged to have been inflicted in a quarrel with his compatriots, Special Guard No. 9, Hayat Mohamad, was removed to the Public Mortuary shortly after midnight. Both his legs were broken and other injuries contributed to his death.

The quarrel is alleged to have taken place in the barrack room of the Explosives Depot on Green Island, where the men were on guard duty.

GUERRILLAS ATTACK CHUCHENG

Hsuehchow, Feb. 18. Chinese mobile units have made several surprise attacks on Chucheng in east Shanlung during the last few days, according to military reports.

On one occasion, the reports state, the Chinese guerrillas succeeded in breaking into the walled city and engaged the Japanese in street fighting.—Central News.

GERMAN, JAPANESE TALKS IN BERLIN

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ROBESON JUNIOR ON HIS SCHOOL

Eight countries were tried by the Robeson family before they found a school for Paul junior where he could work and play without fear of colour prejudice.

Now this ten-year-old son of the famous singer and actor is in London on holiday from the school in Moscow where he has studied for the past 13 months. The school is known only by its number—175.

He has never been so happy in his life, he told a News Chronicle reporter at his father's flat, near Charing Cross recently.

A GREAT TRAVELLER

Young Paul is already a great traveller, knows three continents well and speaks four languages.

In looks he is his father over again, with his father's vitality and ready smile.

"At school we are trained to help one another," he said, "and it is not done to harm people."

"Children don't fight at my school. There has been only one fight the whole time. The boy who started it got a talking-to from the director. (we never get punished). But the other boy was praised. You see, we are taught it is right to fight only in self-defence."

NO ROUGH GAMES

"It's super fun in the afternoons," said Paul. "We sit and skate in winter and swim and ride in summer. The girls are just as good sports as the boys."

"Nobody ever wears leg-guards in hockey or football because we are taught not to hurt each other. I've never once seen a player hurt."

Best of all, he thinks, no child is afraid of anything, and for the first time in his life he is not afraid of being hurt either in body or mind. "Russian children don't look at you as if they hated you," he said, "or as if they despised you or wanted to be nasty to you. They look at you as if they'd like to know you."

Paul can hardly wait to get back to School 175. From there he will go to a University to learn how to be an electrical engineer.

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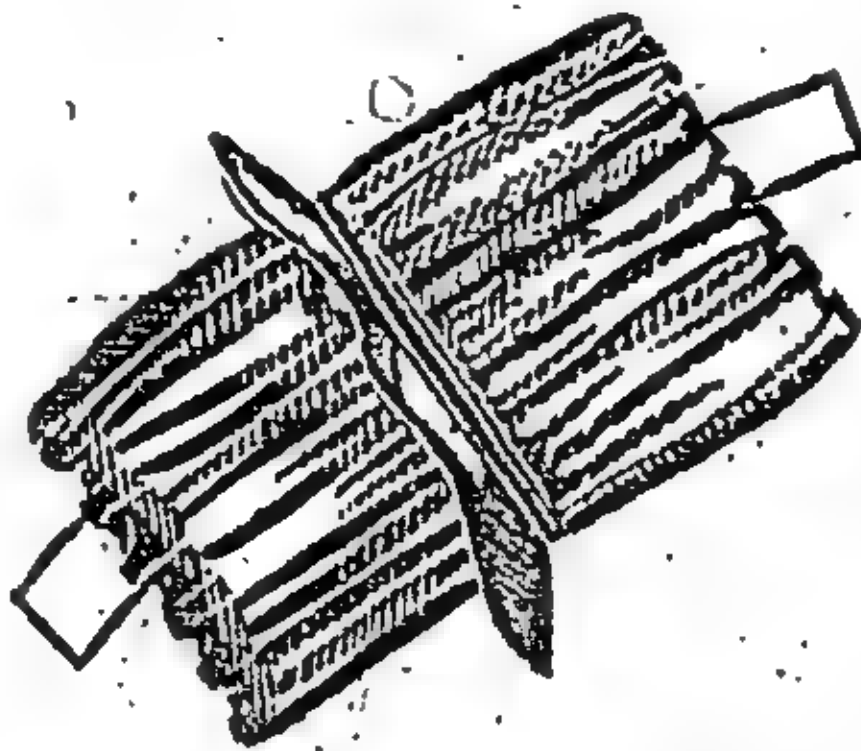
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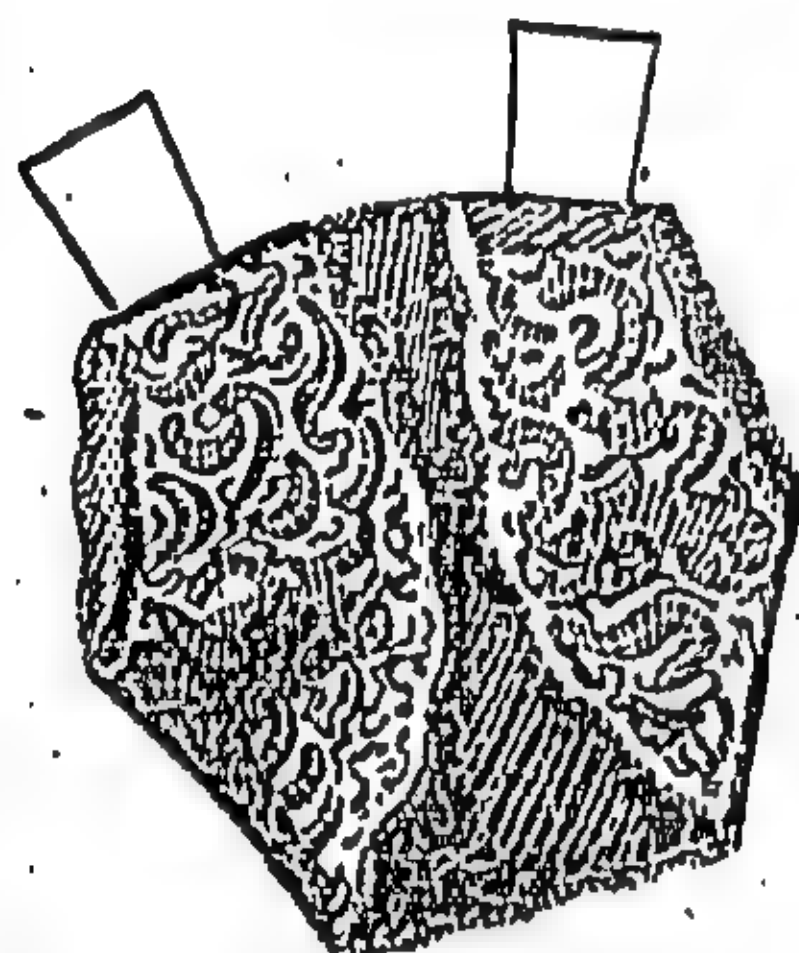
OUT TO LUNCH with several strands of pastel-coloured pearls, two gold clips, and a long gold chain hung with gold shells. On one wrist a thick gold cable bracelet, on the other a bangle of twisted old gold and copper and a wide gold band.

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TO THE OFFICE— belted with a wide band of emerald green crepe, closely draped, but held with a whole-bone at the back to keep its width, fastening off in a short frill.



TO A CINEMA with a bright magenta coloured corduroy jacket; quite short and simple, with turn-back revers and long straight sleeves; hung with two rows of tiny silver bells instead of buttons.



TO A BRIDGE PARTY with a short sleeveless bolero made of coarse white lace. (Both boleros and lace being stop-press fashion news.)

SURPRISE your last-minute GUESTS with some original quick-to-make dishes

THERE are only two things to do when your husband rings up on Monday night and announces—not without a certain amount of sheepishness—that he'd like to bring home some friends for dinner. Either tell him to take his friends to the club and retire to bed with a book and a poached egg on a tray or buckle to.

If you're a nice wife, of course, you'll buckle to and make a raid on the store cupboard.

An original first course is difficult to produce at a moment's notice, but here is one, which I have found from a fairly wide experience, is a favourite with guests. It requires few ingredients, is quick to make, and our "home-made" name for it is—

Pimento-Pie

THE ingredients for a party of four are: 4 hard-boiled eggs, ½ pint of white sauce flavoured with salt, pepper, 1 oz. of parmesan cheese and a tablespoonful of economy cream, and a small tin of pimento.

Boil the eggs hard, cut them into thin slices and arrange them in a greased fireproof dish. Prepare the white sauce, adding the cream and cheese, and pour over the eggs. Place in a medium oven for ten minutes. Meanwhile cut the pimento into long strips about a quarter of an inch wide, and just before serving, decorate the pie with pimento arranged in chessboard fashion.

Follow this course with cold roast beef, sliced and arranged on a dish, garnished with watercress. Serve with potatoes baked in their jackets and a winter salad.

Most men prefer a savoury to a sweet, and here is one which is a little more exciting than the usual sardine on toast. Its name is—

Baked Roes

FOR four people you will need: ½ lb. of herring roes, 1 of eggs, 1 of butter, enough grated shallot to tartare sauce.

cover a threepenny bit, a pinch of chopped parsley.

Grease the inside of a fireproof dish. Heat the butter in a pan, fry the roes lightly, and then arrange them attractively in the dish in rows, one on top of the other. Add the lemon, chopped parsley and grated shallot to the butter in the pan and heat for a few minutes. Pour over the roes and cook in a quick oven for five minutes.

The entire dinner can be prepared in well under an hour and will be found to be particularly popular with men.

If you have not the staff or the money to return hospitality on the same scale as your richer friends, then choose a dinner that can be partly prepared before the guests arrive. Three courses is ample nowadays, providing there is plenty of each.

Fish is an expensive item on a menu, so those who wish for a fish course will welcome the speciality of our home, which costs about sixpence for four people. We call it—

Mock Sole

INGREDIENTS are: 1½ lb. of filleted herrings, breadcrumbs, and tartare sauce. Cover the herrings with breadcrumbs and fry in fat as you would sole. Serve on a fish dish, garnished with watercress. The tartare sauce is simply made as follows:

Beat the yolks of two eggs quickly in a basin, adding slowly drops of oil and vinegar until the basin contains enough sauce for the number of guests. Add one finely chopped onion, enough grated shallot to tartare sauce.

The second course I suggest is another standby in our home as it is economical as well as tasty. It's called—

Fricassee of Veal

THE ingredients:— 1 lb. of pie veal, 1 small shallot, ½ pint of white sauce, juice of a lemon, some button mushrooms, and 6 pieces of streaky bacon.

Cut up the veal into small pieces, put them into a saucepan with the shallot and some stock, and allow to simmer for a good hour. Make a white sauce with the stock, and then reheat the veal in the sauce, adding the lemon juice. Place in an entree dish and garnish with rolls of bacon, button mushrooms, and diamond croquettes of fried bread.

Serve with nests of mashed potatoes fried in breadcrumbs and filled with a teaspoonful of spinach à la crème.

I suggest as a third course a sweet that can be prepared during the afternoon.

Pineapple Royale

YOU will need: One ripe pineapple, 1 gill of thick cream, 1 tablespoonful of sherry or cognac. Cut the top off the pineapple and lay it on one side. Scoop out the inside of the pine with a blunt kitchen spoon, taking care not to damage the sides or base of the pine. Chop the fruit very finely, add the cream and sherry, and leave in a basin in the refrigerator until just before dinner is ready. Then put back into the pine, place its top on, and serve in a glass bowl filled with ice.

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WHEN making a boiled custard with eggs (two or three eggs to a pint of milk), pour the beaten eggs into warm milk, and not the milk into the eggs. Then put the mixture, with sugar to taste, into a jug, stand in a pan of boiling water over the fire, and stir one way only until it thickens. Don't let it boil. If you follow all these rules your custard will not curdle.

To give the custard a special flavour (such as lemon), let the milk stand over a gentle fire with the chosen flavouring in it and infuse for about twenty minutes before you add the eggs.

Use Glue

If you prefer to wash your own blankets add a little glue (a small teaspoonful) to the rinsing water. It will give an extra sheen to the blanket and make it look like new.

Soft Chammy

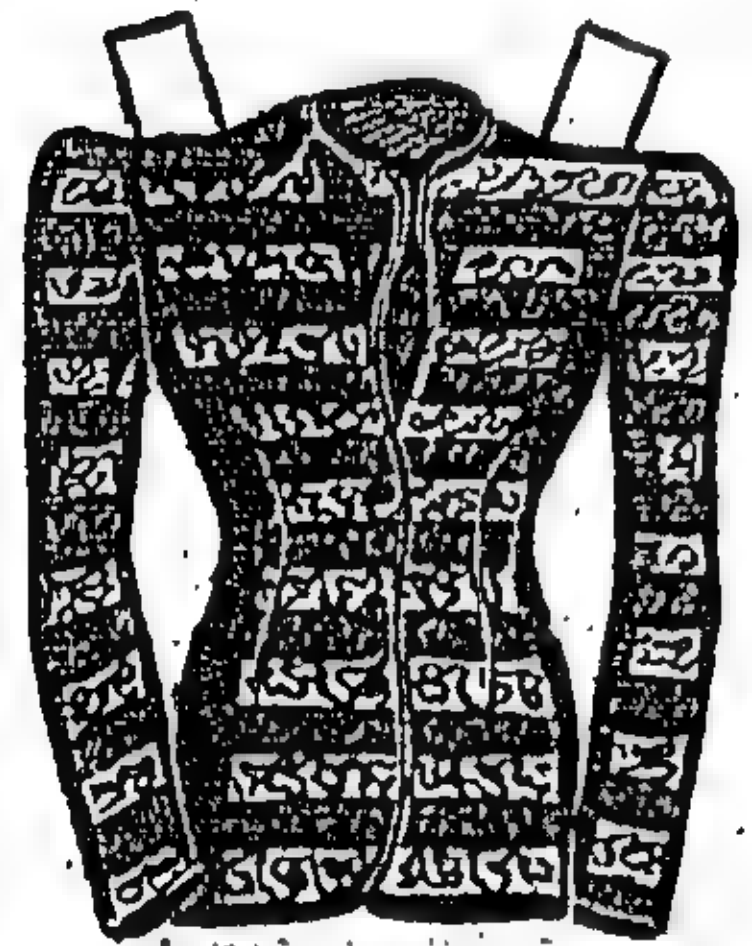
MAKE your chammy leather polisher soft and pliable by adding olive oil (half a dessertspoonful) to the rinsing water. Squeeze and hang out to dry. When dry rub well.

For Flouring

DO you flour your fish better way is to put some flour in a paper bag and shake the fish or liver gently in it. It will be covered evenly and you won't have to wash up a floury plate.



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- 0141. "On The Avenue" Film Selection. Jay Wilbur & His Orch.
- 0152. Yours and Mine. S.F.T. For You. Q.S.
- 0150. Sandy's Happy Home. Comedy Sketch. Sandy Powell and Company.
- 0157. Sweet Adeline. Boy Soprano.
- 0101. Little Bit of Heaven. Joe Petersen.
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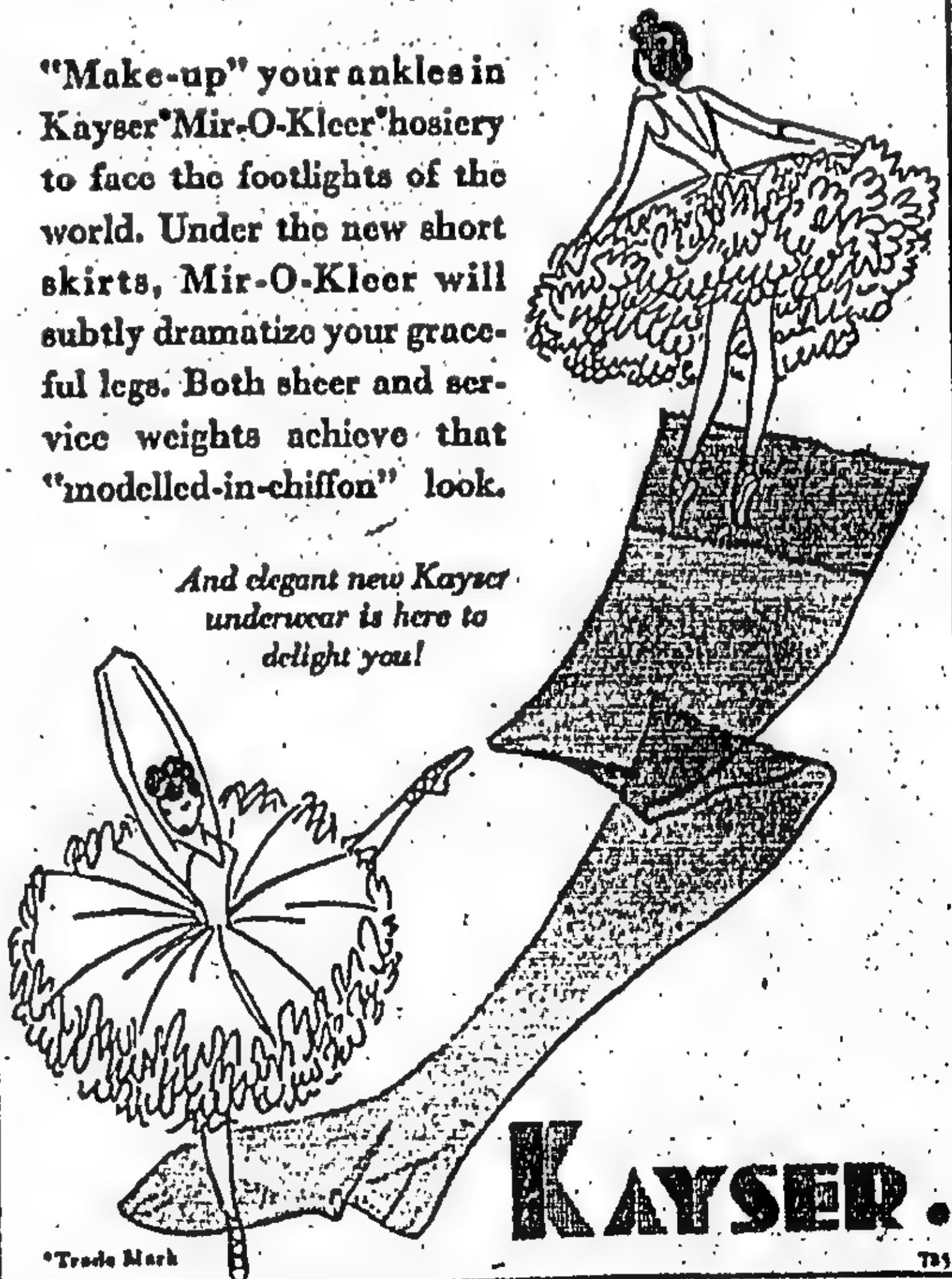
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Chiang to Fling 40 Divisions at Invaders

STRUGGLE FOR HANKOW EXPECTED TO BE LAST BIG POSITIONAL FIGHT

China's New Army To Make Desperate Bid for Victory

Hankow, Feb. 18.

The last great positional fighting in the present war, before which the battle for Shanghai and the struggle for the Lunghai railway are expected to pale, will be fought in the province of Hupeh, possibly near Hankow, is the opinion of competent observers here. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek hopes to put at least 40 divisions into the field for this battle, and expresses confidence that it will be Japan's Waterloo.

A stream of all the most modern weapons of war—heavy guns, tanks, anti-aircraft guns, machine guns and automatic rifles—have been steadily flowing into China from abroad. These weapons are daily distributed to the "new army," composed of reorganised divisions and new ones emerging from the drilling grounds.

If the Chinese are defeated in this great battle, the Government and the army are withdrawing to the mountains in the north-west and south-west. The Chinese will try to hold the seven provinces of Szechuen, Yunnan, Kwichow, Kwangsi, Shensi, Kansu and Chinghai. There will be no more positional fighting, but China's resistance, it is predicted, will be continued unabated in the form of guerrilla operations from one end of the country to the other.

Observers here do not minimise the importance of the battle for Hanchow, but regard it, and other battles to be fought for the Lunghai railway as only curtain-raiser to the great decisive clash to follow.

Air Challenge

Chinese aircraft are expected before long to offer serious challenge to Japan's supremacy in the air. With the arrival of bombers and pursuit planes from Russia, England, France and America, and the new pilots being turned out from various aviation schools, the Chinese air force is growing stronger every day.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is constantly visiting the different fronts by air. Only recently he made an especially important tour accompanied by his chief of staff, General Pei Chung-hsi, China's master strategist, who was once Chiang's implacable foe, but is now his close friend in a common cause. At Lin-feng in south Shansi, they conferred with Chu Teh, Mao Tse-tung, and other commanders of the Eighth Route Army drawn from the communist army then at Kaileng, the capital of Honan. They poured over maps, and discussed the campaign with Li Chung-jen, Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese forces on the Tientsin-Pukow railway, and a host of other commanders.

Tactics Have Changed

Although their decisions were kept secret, this much is known: The Chinese tactics have been changed, and there has been an important reshuffling of troops. While Chiang Kai-shek attaches great importance to the battle for Hanchow, the main fighting strength of the Chinese will not be concentrated there. Before the fall of Nanking, Chinese commanders at present points fought their own battles without any co-ordinated plan. For example, when the Japanese were using all available troops to smash their way to victory in Shanghai General Han Fu-chu, Governor of Shantung, who was recently executed for dereliction of duty, sat tight in Shantung, doing nothing.

Chiang Kai-shek believes this lack of co-ordination has been remedied, and that things will be different in the battle for the Lunghai railway.

M.C.L. FLAG DAY TO-MORROW

A flag day in aid of the Ministering Children's League will be held to-morrow.

Among its obligations the League is pledged to maintain two cots in the home at Otterhaw, and a cot in the Northcote Hospital here. Last year's funds were allocated to the Netherhope Hospital, Col. Hongkong Benevolent Society, Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children, Blind Home at Pokfulam, Victoria Home and Orphanage, Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, C.M.S. School Fund, Garrison Ladies Help Society, Kowloon Chinese Y.W.C.A. (Baby Clinic and Factory Girls' Club), St. John Ambulance, Little Sisters of the Poor, Convent of Orphanage, Shaukiwan, Hongkong School for the Deaf and Dumb, a total of \$4,500.

To-morrow exhibitors will be as follows:

JAPANESE IN STRONG POSITION

Yellow River Only Impediment To Important Advance

Shanghai, Feb. 18.

Foreign military observers here regard the Japanese march towards the Yellow River as the most important development in the Sino-Japanese hostilities since the fall of Nanking. These operations, and the attendant thrust on the Lunghai railway, are considered rather more vital than the battle for Hanchow.

The two main objectives of the Japanese are, firstly, to gain control of the Lunghai railway, and secondly, to form a junction between the forces operating from the north and south. In accomplishing these objectives they would possess the only railway running into the heart of China, and would obtain full control of Kiangsu, Shantung and Hopei.

Observers lay a great deal of emphasis upon the moral effect upon the Japanese if they could reach the Yellow River, which, for many centuries, has been the great dividing line. This achievement would make the Japanese feel they had made a major advance in the campaign.

Japanese operations, however, will continue to present difficulties so long as Changteh in northern Honan, remains the base of operations, for it is a good 75 miles from the Yellow River.

Under efficient generalship, foreign observers believe that it would not be difficult for the Chinese to prevent the Japanese from crossing the Yellow River, but Chinese failures elsewhere have not stimulated optimism. Once across the Yellow River, the Japanese would be able to reach Chengchow, which is a strategic point on the map, and a sort of cross-bar between the Peiping-Hankow and Tientsin-Pukow railways. The fall of either of the junction cities—Chengchow or Hanchow—is expected by observers to make the other untenable, except at the risk of huge casualties.—Reuter.

FANLING GOLF

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY

Old Course

9.12 Stubbs Shield Final tie.
9.18 S. S. Church, L. R. Cramer.
9.20 G. S. Hugh Jones, M. G. Marriott.
9.24 A. K. Mackenzie, F. Marshall.
9.28 C. M. Gos, J. E. Jupp.
9.32 G. Worrall, K. K. Rounds.
9.36 Comdr. Hole, A. V. Greaves.
9.40 A. Nicol, N. Garland.
9.44 J. Hall, A. Murdoch.
9.48 A. C. J. Bowker, R. K. Valentine.

9.52 H. A. Mills, C. C. Willson.
9.56 I. P. Farworth, N. P. Fox.
10.00 R. B. Hancock, N. K. Littlejohn.
10.04 T. Lay, A. B. Raworth.
10.08 O. E. C. Marston, E. T. McMullen.
10.12 T. A. Pearce, A. E. Lissaman.
10.16 E. Norris, C. Finch.
10.20 W. Woodward, J. H. Underwood.

10.24 J. Stenerson, G. H. Bell.
10.28 G. Milne, A. A. Bremner.
10.32 G. S. Archbutt, H. S. Hills.
10.36 Col. Blake, Major McDonald.
10.40 V. R. Gordon, J. R. Collis.
10.44 R. Stock, A. Sommerfeld.
10.48 A. R. Humphreys, Col. Mattheus.

10.52 G. Goldman, D. S. Edward.
10.56 G. E. R. Divett, Col. Austin.
11.00 A. E. Perry, G. F. O'Brien.
11.04 R. A. Campbell, G. M. Park.
11.08 A. Corrigan, E. L. Groome.
11.12 T. H. Geare, A. D. Purves.
11.16 K. Morrison, J. A. D. Morrison.

11.20 H. N. Williamson, H. H. Mundy.
11.24 T. R. Chassels, A. C. Godby.
11.28 D. Humphreys, C. A. King.

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9.16 J. B. H. Leckie, P. H. Scoones.
9.20 R. L. D. Wodehouse, A. Morse.
9.24 J. H. M. Andrew, O. J. Shannon.
9.28 J. L. Bonnar, R. E. H. Nelson.
9.32 J. F. Wright, Wing Cdr. Bishop.
9.40 Mrs. Garland, Miss Geen.
9.48 T. E. and J. L. C. Pearce.
9.50 F. C. Young, G. T. May.
9.54 N. A. Smalley, J. W. Mayhew.

10.00 Mrs. Smalley, C. J. Cinketto.
10.10 E. Laidlaw, K. R. Quick.
10.20 Mrs. Woodward, Miss Curtin.
10.30 A. H. Forbes, Capt. Holmes.
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10.44 Mrs. Forbes, Mrs. Holmes.
10.52 W. J. E. and Mrs. Mackenzie.

SPECIAL TREATMENT FOR RUMANIA'S QUEEN

Bucharest, Feb. 17. Queen Marie of Rumania, who has been seriously ill, during the past year, left for Italy to-day for special treatment.—Reuter.



Merle Oberon and Brian Aherne in "Beloved Enemy," the Samuel Goldwyn film which comes to the K in's Theatre on Sunday.

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Foreigners To Help Make China Healthy

Hankow, Feb. 18.

Health experts commissioned to visit China by the health section of the League of Nations, in accordance with a resolution of the Assembly last October, arrived at Hankow yesterday. The aim of the mission is to co-operate with the Chinese health administration with the outbreak of epidemics as a result of the present hostilities.

Members of the mission are M. Wingeller, and M. Etter, Swiss, Herr Relatier, a German, Herr Jettmar, an Austrian, and Mr. R. U. M. Robertson, a Briton. The group is visiting, shortly, Hupeh, Honan, Shansi, Szechuen and Kiangsi, where it is organising epidemic prevention work under the direction of the Chinese health administration. The Chinese Foreign Office has instructed local authorities to give the mission every facility necessary to aid its work.—Reuter.

SEIYUKAI PARTY MAY DISSOLVE

Tokyo, Feb. 18.

Convocation of an emergency general meeting of the Seiyukai, to discuss dissolution of the party and affiliation with the projected national political organisation is urged by Mr. Ichiro Kono, the party leader. A group of Seiyukais have already discussed the question at a meeting in the Diet Building.—Reuter.

H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE WILL CLOSE

The Hongkong Stock Exchange will be closed at noon on February 21 and 22, race days.

GIVEN HIGH PORT IN CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

London, Feb. 17.

Sir John Gilmour, M.P. for Glasgow, has been appointed High Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.—Reuter.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning:

Banks
H.K. Banks, \$1,525 b. c. d.
H.K. Banks, (Lon. Reg.), £88 n. ex. div.
Chartered Banks, £12½ n.
Mercantile Bank, A. and B., £20 n.
Mercantile Bank, C., £14 n.
East Asia Bank, \$82 n.

Insurance
Canton Ins., \$260 n.
Union Ins., \$505 b. and sa.
China Underwriters, \$140 b.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$240 n.

Shipping
Douglas, \$60 b.
H.K. Steamboats, \$11 n.
Indo-China (Ref.), \$51 n.
Indo-China (Def.), \$43 n.
New Engineering, Sh. \$5 n.
Shell Bunker 88/1 n.
Union Waterboats, \$5.30 b.

Docks etc.
H.K. & Wharves, \$120 b.
H.K. W. Docks, \$28.75 b.
Providents (old), \$2.60 b.
Providents (new), 60 cts. b.
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$5 n.
Kailan Mining Adm., 14/- n.
Rauhs, \$7½ n.
Venz: Goldfield, \$4 n.
Hongkong Mines 10 cts. n.

Philippine Mining
Antamoks, P. 65 sa.
Ataka, P. 28 sa.
Bangu Gold, P. 24 sa.
Benguet Consol., P. 9.80 sa.
Benguet Explor., —
Big Wedge, P. —
Coco Grove, P. 68 sa.
Consolidated Mines, P. —
Demonstrations, P. 43½ sa.
Mindanao, P. —
Gumus G'olds, P. —
Ipe Gold, P. —
I.X.L., P. 75 sa.
Itogons, P. —
Masbate Consols., P. —
Min. Resources, P. —
Northern Min., P. —
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OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Friday		
Air Mail for Wuchow, Kwintin, C.N.A.C. Plane		Fri., Feb. 18.
Kwiyang and Cantonizing by the	K.F.O.	
"C.N.A.C., Airways Direct Service."	Reg.,	Feb. 18, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Feb. 18, 5 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.,	Feb. 18, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Feb. 19, 8 a.m.
Straits, Sandakan, Ceylon, India, E. Carthage		Fri., Feb. 18.
and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and		
Europe via Marseilles—due Mar-		
seilles, 18th March.	Parcels,	Feb. 18, 5.00 p.m.
	Reg.,	Feb. 19, 9.45 a.m.
	Ord.,	Feb. 19, 10.30 a.m.

Saturday

Samsul and Wuchow	Kongso	Sat, Feb. 19, 8.15 a.m.
Air Mail for Siam, Lanchow and	Eurasia Plane	Sat, Feb. 19.
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the "Eurasia Airways Service"	Reg.	Feb. 19, 9.00 a.m.
(To further points by surface	Ord.	Feb. 19, 9.30 a.m.
transport as Services permit).		
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways	Carthage	Sat, Feb. 19.
"Service"—due Amsterdam, 27th	G.P.O. & K.P.O.	
February	Reg.	Feb. 19, 9.30 a.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 19, 10.00 a.m.
Kongmoon	On Lee	Sat, Feb. 19, 10.00 a.m.
Parcels only for Germany via Ham-	Fulda	Sat, Feb. 19, 10.30 a.m.
burg.		
Tientsin	Tingang	Sat, Feb. 19, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Peet	Sat, Feb. 19, 4.00 p.m.
Hankow	Chungking	Sat, Feb. 19, 5.00 p.m.
Air Mail for "France Orient Air-	Fres. Doumer	Sat, Feb. 19.
ways Service"—due Marseilles 6th	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
March.	Reg.	Feb. 19, 4 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 19, 4.30 p.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Sat, Feb. 19, 5 p.m.
Japan	Kutsang	Sat, Feb. 19, 5 p.m.
Sakzon, "Ceylon," India, "E. and	Fres. Doumer	Sat, Feb. 19.
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Marseilles—due Marseilles 10th	Reg.	Feb. 19, 4.15 p.m.
March.	Ord.	Feb. 19, 5 p.m.
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, Aden,	Victoria	Sat, Feb. 19.
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due Naples, 12th March.	Reg.	Feb. 19, 4.15 p.m.
	Ord.	Feb. 19, 5 p.m.
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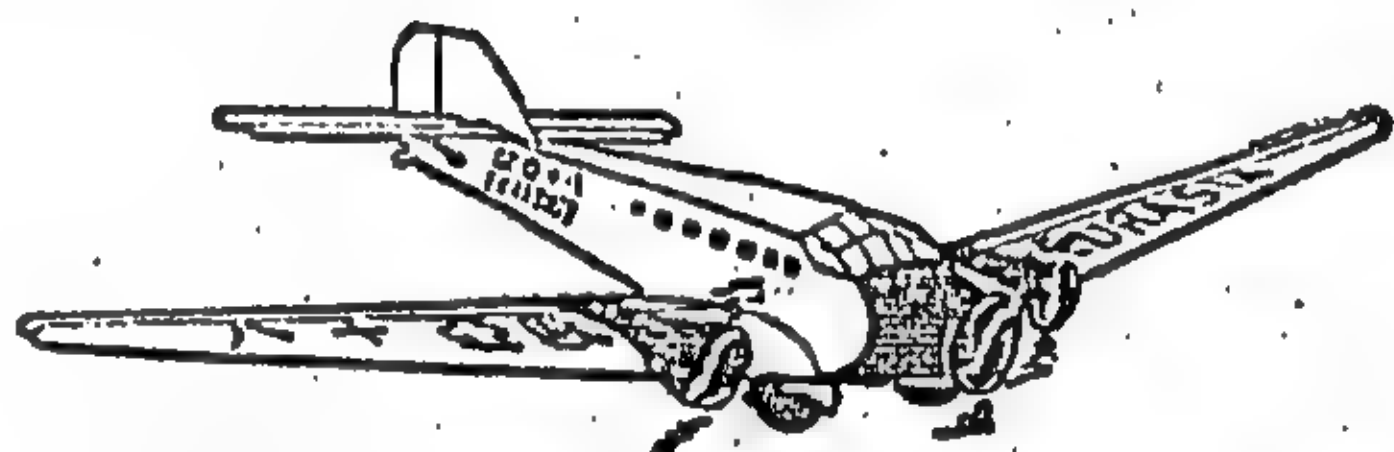


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Britain Still
Backs Stress
Understanding

Not Able To Judge
 Effect Of Austro-
 German Accord

London, Feb. 17.

The policy of the British Government continued to be inspired by the joint resolution of the Stresa Conference, declared Lord Halifax, Lord President of the Council, when replying today for the Government in the foreign affairs debate. Lord Halifax added that the efficacy of that resolution depended upon the loyal co-operation of all parties to it—Britain, France and Italy—and not on the British Government alone.

So far as the resolution referred to the maintenance of the independence of Austria, the Government was not yet in a position to estimate the effects of the recent Austro-German agreement, but Government was watching the situation developing with close attention.

Lord Halifax reaffirmed Britain's desire for peace and world appeasement, and in referring to Germany, said the Government was pursuing with energy, examination of the questions raised when he visited Berlin.

Lord Halifax added: "Not the least of the problems confronting us to-day is to make provision for securing a peace which may not exclude peaceful revision and change where such may be rightly required."—*Reuters*.

JAPAN TO
BUILD
NEW CHINA

Implores Help Of
 World Powers

London, Feb. 17.

Japan will maintain her policy of an "Open Door" for the purpose of promoting the welfare of the Chinese people, and will welcome the cultural and economic co-operation of the interested powers, especially Great Britain, in the rehabilitation of China, declared Viscount Ishii, Minister of Foreign Affairs, in a speech at a dinner of the Japan Society, at which he was the guest of honour.

Viscount Ishii said: "Our entire objective is the stabilisation, once and for all, of our relations with China upon a basis which cannot be destroyed from time to time by the whim of a Chinese Government hostile to us, as so often has occurred in the past."

Japan desired the restoration of China as her natural market, said the speaker, and emphasised that the re-establishment of such a market would go far in relieving the economic depression throughout the world. But the restoration of that market must depend upon the rehabilitation and reconstruction of China herself.

This could only be brought about by the closest co-operation between Japan and Britain. It was folly to talk about Japan's desire to evict foreign interests, for without the co-operation of other powers, Japan could not attain the object she had in view. "A reconstructed China, working amicably with us all will bring about that permanent peace in the Far East which Japan no less than any other country, so earnestly desires," concluded Viscount Ishii.—*Reuters*.

PASSENGER HURT
IN CAR CRASH

SEVERAL REPORTS OF
 TRAFFIC MISHAPS

Yu Fook, driver of a public motor car, has reported to the police that while driving along Castle Peak Road with two passengers, he tried to pass a stationary car, parked near the Wai Chiu village. In doing so he swerved to the right, and collided with an oncoming car.

Mrs. Samson, one of his passengers, sustained slight head injuries.

Lo Wing-kau, eight-year-old boy, was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital for treatment to his head and leg injuries sustained when knocked down by a car driven by Sun Tak-ming, at Hennessy Road, near Canal Road West. Wong Kan, licensed lorry driver, has reported to the police that while proceeding along Des Voeux Road West, near Kuei Sheung Street, he knocked down Kwong Tin, 54, who suffered injuries to his right foot. Lee Hui, driver of a lorry, has reported to the police that his machine collided with a tram refuge centre at Hennessy Road, and knocked down Lee Tong who suffered slight injuries.

GANG OF CHINESE
ARRESTED WITH
FORGED NOTES

Six Chinese, including two women, appeared on remand before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning charged with possession of a large quantity of Chinese forged notes.

Det. Sub-Inspector O'Donovan prosecuted, and a week's formal remand was granted. Mr. McCallum was present for two men defendants.

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TROUBLE IN
INDIA

Ministers Resign: White
 Paper To Be Issued

London, Feb. 17.

In the House of Lords the Marquess of Lifford asked the Secretary of State for India if he would issue a White Paper giving information on the "unfortunate crisis that had arisen between His Majesty's ministers in certain provinces in India and the Governors", and in particular any statements issued by the Governors explaining their attitude.

Lord Zetland replied: "I profoundly regret that two of the Ministers have found it necessary to resign, more particularly as it seems to me a difference between them and the Governor-General which was cause of their resignation, seems to have been one of degree rather than of kind, as I hope will become clear when I supply information for which Lord Lifford has asked. I shall be only too happy to provide the House with the information. The White Paper will be issued with the least possible delay."—*British Wireless*.



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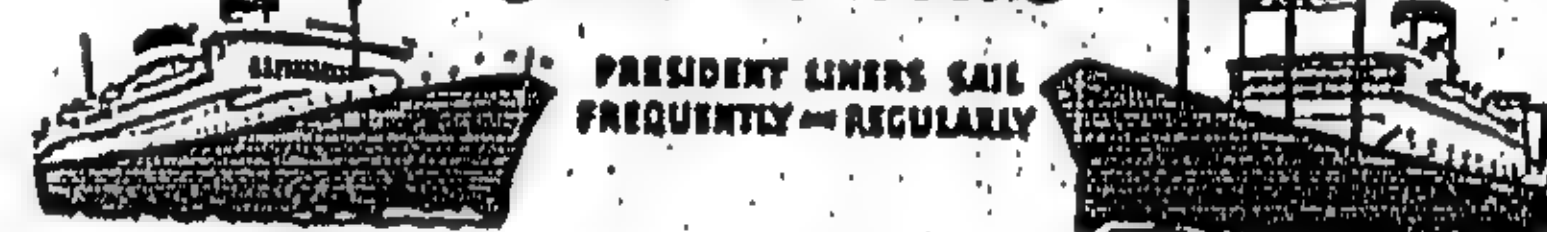
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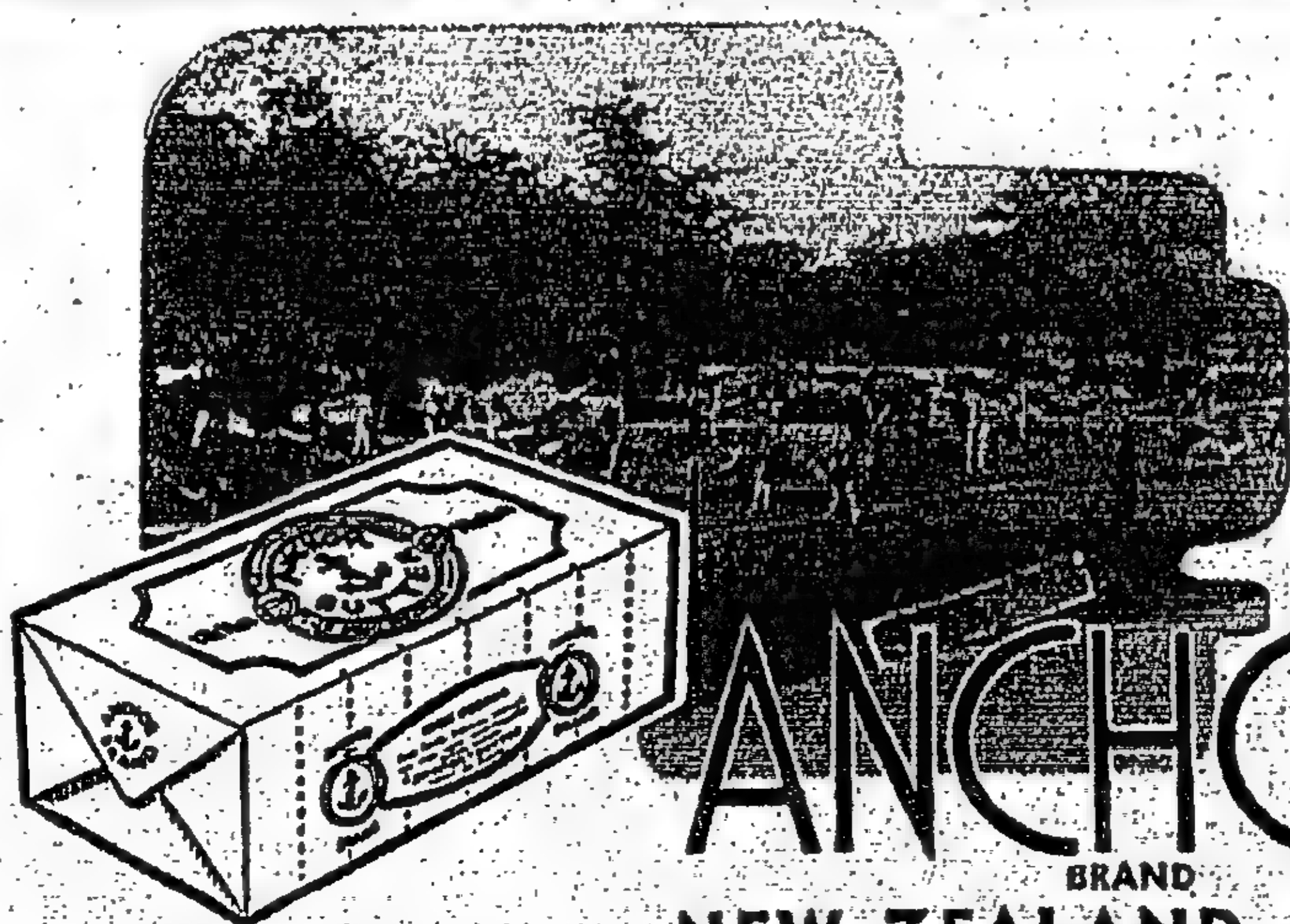
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ITALIAN FINGERS IN ARAB PIE

The Arab and Egyptian do not see eye to eye about Mussolini.

Actually, of course, the Egyptian is by race an Arab but his political outlook is essentially different. This essential difference is due to the fact that the Egyptian has got what he wants—Independence—and the Arab in Palestine, for instance, has not.

So the Egyptian's desire in foreign affairs is to hold what he has got. Mussolini's wireless propaganda falls on deaf and indeed suspicious ears. The Egyptian does not like the massing of troops on the Libyan frontier and events in Abyssinia are too recent to be forgotten. Consequently Great Britain, as a powerful ally who is as interested as Egypt herself in maintaining the status quo, is increasing in popularity while Italian stock is at a discount.

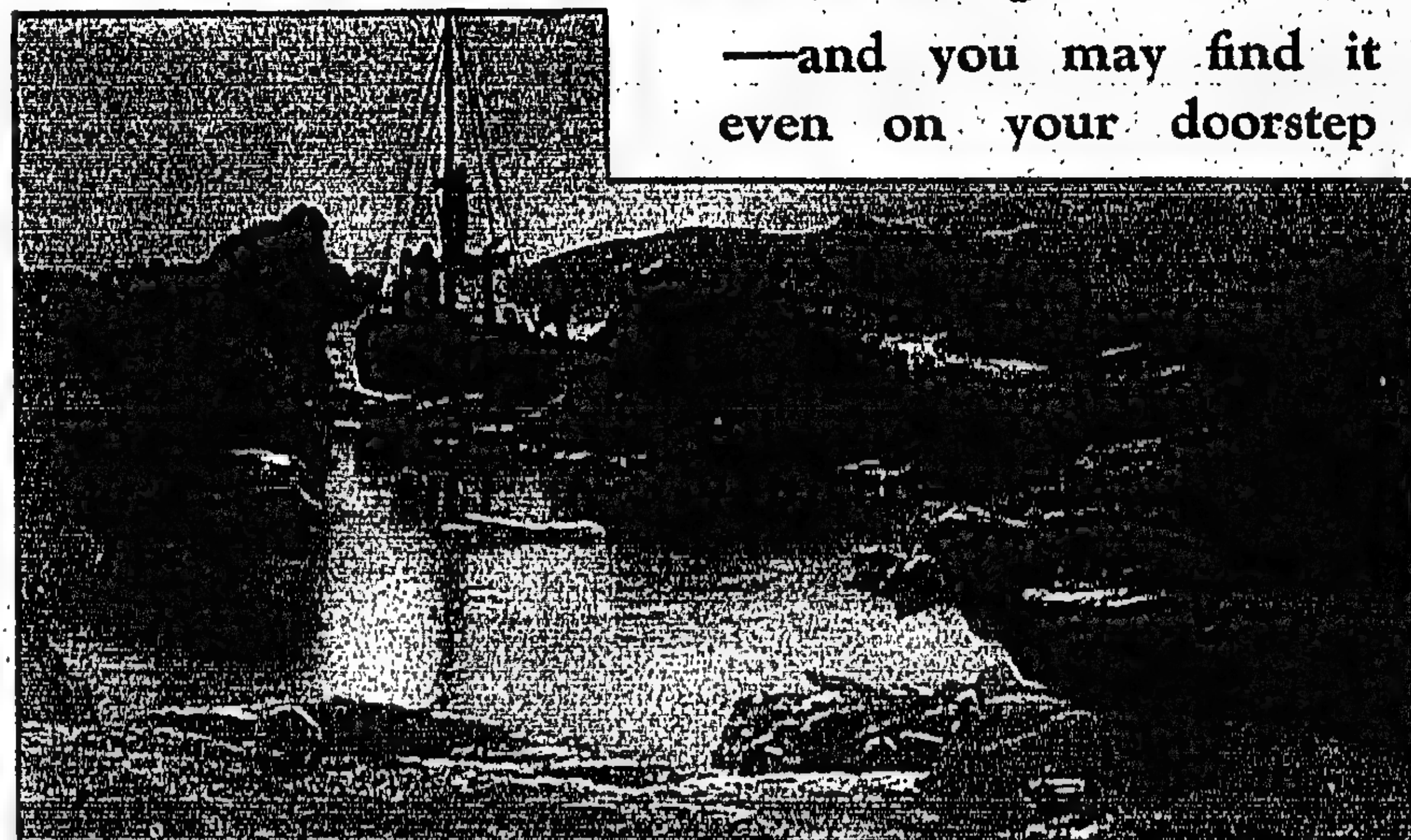
"The situation is quite other in Palestine," says Hebe Spaul, noted League of Nations political expert. "The struggle between Jew and Arab in Palestine—due to no racial antagonism but solely to a conflict of political aims—is precisely the kind of troubled water in which Fascist Italy knows well how to fish. The intense political passions of the moment prevent the Arab from taking an objective view of the proffered friendship of Italy, and attacks on Great Britain as the Power who is responsible for the present regime find a ready echo from the Arab. That Italy has no interest in liberating subject peoples from an Imperial yoke may be obvious to almost everybody; but the Arab is an easy victim at the moment."

Great Britain did a wise thing in giving Egypt her independence when she did. She gained a good friend and the League of Nations a loyal Member at a time when added strength was needed. Unfortunately the problem of Palestine is much more complicated and difficult of solu-

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A generation of young Alexanders is sighing for new worlds to conquer.

But Shiva's Temple, the ascent of which has attracted world-wide attention, may remind us that we have not done the job of exploring as thoroughly as we imagined.

HUNDREDS of thousands of holiday-makers have gazed at Shiva's Temple. The regular air-services, night and day, cross the Grand Canyon on their way from New York to San Francisco—a "Lost World" in the heart of civilisation.

I was spending, the other day, to Dr. H. R. Mill, the famous geographer, a living encyclopedia of world-exploration, especially of the Antarctic. But, within sight of his own birth-place—Thurso, in the far north of Scotland—there is an island which has never been explored. It is a "Shiva's Temple" on our own doorstep.

"I don't believe that the foot of man has ever trodden on Clott," he said, "although it is within a stone's throw of Eolburn Head. Its precipitous sides defy climbers, and the only way to land would be to drop from an aeroplane or a balloon. There is not likely to be anything spectacular there, but there is life—in the form of vegetation, at least.

"Then there is the Old Man of Hoy, off the Orkneys . . .

OUT in the Atlantic, beyond St. Kilda, and about a hundred miles from the coast of Scotland, is Rockall, "the Island that Hates to be Visited." Many expeditions have tried to land

there—Dr. Mill once borrowed a gun-boat to attempt it—but have been driven off by the breakers.

If those are too near home for our modern adventurers, the Unknown World has plenty of other places to offer them.

There is the Matto Grosso, the Central Plateau of Brazil, about which less is known than about any area of equal size in the world. Vast tracts of jungle keep the secrets of its strange and dangerous tribes and of its animal life.

COLONEL FAWCETT, his son, and Raleigh Rimmel, both in their early twenties, perished there in the summer of 1925. Or did they? That is one of the great question marks in the history of exploration.

Colonel Fawcett was in search of a "Lost World." It is an area about which imagination could, and can still, run riot, unchallenged—White Indians, prehistoric monsters, incalculable treasure, ruined cities and forgotten civilisations.

Fawcett believed in the cities. In a territory of hidden, hostile Indian tribes, his guides deserted him. He and his young companions went on, and, almost certainly, perished in an ambush.

But legends are begotten of such mysteries, and a trapper named Rattin brought back news of a tall white man with a long beard dressed in skins . . . Fawcett?

Twelve years have passed. The quest of "The White God" of the Indians will tempt future expeditions into the treacherous Matto Grosso in the wake of Colonel Fawcett.

In the jungles of Central and South America are the relics of the Aztec and Inca civilisations—maybe even Eldorado, which dangled its golden lure before the Spanish Conquistadors and before adventurers ever since. British Guiana, although it is part of the Empire, has not yet been fully explored. Aeroplane surveys are revealing the secrets of its hinterland, but only desperate "foot-slogging" will ever wrest from it the secrets of its birds and animal life, hints of which were brought back, by a recent expedition, in the form of golden frogs.

ON the frontiers of Bolivia and Peru lies Lake Titicaca, the highest lake in the world, 12,500 feet above sea-level. Here legend (as usual) has it that the Incas dumped 250,000,000 (the odd half-pennies don't matter) into it to

save it from the Spanish invaders.

But that is not what the British scientific expedition—sponsored by Professor J. S. Gardiner, of Cambridge, the Percy Sladen Trustees, the Royal Society and the British Museum—is seeking there. They went to find how certain seawater fish and sea-level animals found their way to Titicaca, and to see whether, by any means, the mineral resources—copper, silver and lead—might be developed.

IN the Gobi Desert, vast, desolate, dangerous, with extremes of cold more severe than the Poles, mysteries still remain to tempt men and women to desperate adventures. It holds in its fossils and bone remains the secrets of prehistoric life and of prehistoric animals.

Tibet, still a Forbidden Land, although the priestly lamas, today, may listen in on radio sets—beckons persistently to explorers, tempting them to furtive expeditions in search of flowers that may one day grace a suburban rockery, and in search of strange lore and strange customs.

Western China is a land of mystery, and the Chinese would like to keep it so until their own explorers can chart it and reveal its secrets. But the "Shangri-la," the happy valley of "Lost Horizon," may not be merely the fancy of James Hilton or of the Hollywood film-makers.

Great valleys, locked by mountains that daunt the most adventurous, lie on the frontiers of China and Tibet—valleys that our civilisation cannot touch, but whose own, for all we know, may be superior, in sanity, to ours.

WHERE Burma joins with India there are mountains and valleys which have defied the white man. Jim Matthews, who, with his comrade Hook, attempted a flight to Australia and crashed in the Burmese jungle, described to me vast mountain-locked valleys over which they passed, inaccessible to the outer world, even to airman, who could never find a landing ground.

Arctic Canada and the glaciers of the Rockies offer endless possibilities; and Antarctica, grave of Scott and his companions, the death-lure of Shackleton, the desperate dream of all great explorers, may be part of the Lost Continent of Gondwanaland, which once filled the Indian Ocean and linked Africa, Asia, and Australia. Beneath its ice-cap almost certainly lie vast mineral resources.

One day, I predict, Man will inhabit that Continent, create there vast subterranean cities and tap its wealth.

Before then The White Unknown must be fully explored. There is work in plenty for generations of explorers.

take a bath. I'm feeling a bit grumpy.

"You can't have a bath."

"Why can't I?"

"The Amah's in there."

"Oh, well, I think I'll stroll down to the Peninsula."

"Home! Bah! Come on, pup!"

Child's Death A Mystery

The mystery of the death of a small girl, Lam Yuet, who was brought dead to a hospital with injuries which indicated that she had been punched occupied the attention of Mr. Barnett and a jury at Kowloon yesterday.

Mr. Barnett remarked that the jury would probably find it impossible to come to a verdict as there was a lack of sufficient evidence.

The girl, he said, was brought dead to the Kwong Wah Hospital on January 9, by a woman who said she was her mother. Giving a false name and address she said the child had died of fever but it was found that she had a fractured skull.

Dr. J. M. Gray, who performed a post mortem declared that the girl had a very marked blackening of the left eye, the bruise extended to the left temple. She appeared to have been punched.

There was much intra-cranial haemorrhage around the left frontal region above the eye and a distinct fracture. There was slight evidence of enteritis and pulmonary tuberculosis and in his opinion, she had been a weakly child.

The cause of death was fracture of the skull, haemorrhage and shock. The hearing was adjourned to March 3.

If the problem can be solved in a way that will be just to the Jews and give reasonable satisfaction to the Arabs it should do a great deal to bring stability both to the Near East and the Mediterranean.

THE "VERY IDEA"

This Is How We Whipped Those Corinthians

By Eddie Kelly, Full Back

WE have always dodged the lime-light as much as possible.

We ourselves are as modest as a Mexican parrot and avoid publicity like Madame Chiang Kai-shek and/or the smallpox epidemic.

But we feel that we must tell you of the splendid game we and our grandfather played against the Corinthians prior to their first game in Hongkong next Saturday.

P. B. Clark, the Corinthians captain, knowing our capabilities on the field, didn't want us to play, but at last grudgingly consented.

Our grandfather insisted on a third man in the team.

"Otherwise," he said, "who is going to bring on the drinks?"

"They are 11 to our two," we replied. "Let them bring on the drinks."

"Not on your life," said the old man. So we made Bill Pryde third man.

We stunned C. Longman, their goalie, with our first ball, which we shot into the goal so swiftly that the wind blew the mallet off the grand stand.

Clark came at us pretty niftily at times, but we had a few dud ten cent pieces which we were able to scatter around the field fairly indiscriminately.

Yes, he comes from Scotland. We headed beautifully from Wright, who sent us up an easy one at silly mid-on, just near the three-quarter line.

After that they seemed to lose their morale, and in no time we had them out for 40-0.

We will not go into vain glorious details about the magnificent dis-

play we made in the second half. Suffice it to say that the Committee of the Football Association came to us in a body and asked us not to knock the visitors about too much, as they had to play three games against Hongkong later in the week.

"Listen," they said, "it's bad enough you belting these poor lads. But don't go knocking the balls about so much. You've already punctured eight of them. Go easy."

After that we contented ourselves with lobbing them into the net three or four times every minute. Our grandfather just sat down on the side-lines, nibbling the oranges. He wasn't necessary.

SCORES

Corinthians Nil
Kelly Team 120.

No wonder the chaps are not looking forward to playing against Hongkong to-morrow. They're thoroughly cowed.

We were a bit cowed ourselves when we went home.

It goes like this—

"Can't you learn to wipe your feet when you come inside. Why must you wear those filthy football things?"

And so on.

And we say, "Well, I think I'll

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FRIDAY NIGHT IS AMAMI NIGHT

Huge Profit Shown By H.K. Electric

Final Dividend And Bonus Total \$2.50

At the ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Electric Company, Ltd., to be held on Thursday, March 10th at 11 a.m., the directors subject to audit, will recommend that the balance available for distribution be disposed of as follows:

To pay a final dividend of \$1.50 per share making, with the interim dividend of \$1.00 per share paid on September 9, 1937, a total of \$2.50 per share on 600,000 shares,	\$1,500,000.00
To pay a bonus of 50 cents per share on 600,000 shares,	300,000.00
To carry forward to next account,	200,002.28
	\$2,100,002.28

The Company has benefited through the abnormal conditions obtaining during the latter part of the year 1937.

New Vessel Launched At Taikoo

CONSTRUCTED FOR CALCUTTA PORT COMMISSIONER

Constructed to the order of the Commission for the Port of Calcutta the Pathfinder was successfully launched at Taikoo Dockyard yesterday afternoon.

The naming ceremony was performed by Mrs. T. S. Morrison, wife of the Senior Surveyor for Lloyd's Register of Shipping in Hongkong. The Pathfinder was built under special survey to Lloyd's highest class and Board of Trade requirements, and will be used for carrying out river surveying, towing, and attendance on shore stations on the River Hooghly. Speed in service will be 12 knots.

Mander Asks If U.S. Will Share Docks

London, Feb. 17. Mr. G. L. Mander (Lib.) will ask Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, on February 22 "if the British Government would be prepared to enter into discussions with the United States Government for the latter's use, by lease or otherwise, of a portion of the Singapore naval dock."—Reuter.

BRITISH MISSION OFF TO PORTUGAL

London, Feb. 17. The British Service Mission to Portugal will leave Southampton on R.M.S. Alcantara to-morrow. The purpose of the mission, which consists of Vice-Admiral Woodhouse, Colonel Daly and Group Captain Field, is to establish closer contact between the Services of the countries in view of the common maritime interests and the long established friendships which exist between Great Britain and Portugal.—British Wireless.

Mr. J. P. Braga Convalescing

The many friends and business associates of Mr. J. P. Braga will be pleased to learn that he has now left Queen Mary Hospital and has returned home, where he is convalescing. Mr. Braga was taken to hospital a month ago and has been under the care of Professor W. I. Gerard. He is now progressing favourably and is slowly regaining his strength.

MINERS DECORATED BY THE KING

Among the recipients of a decoration from the King at Buckingham Palace to-day at the second investiture in connection with the New Year's Honours were two miners—brothers—from Staffordshire who had been awarded medals in recognition of their bravery in a colliery accident last year.—British Wireless.

COST OF LIVING INDEX FLUCTUATES

London, Feb. 17. The Ministry of Labour cost of living index at February 1 showed a fall of 0.7 per cent. above the level of July 1914, from 89 per cent. at January 1, but a rise from 91 per cent. in February 1937.

JAPANESE FAIL TO TAKE WEIHWAI

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element. Leaders and soldiers alike appear to be confident.

Preserve No Base

General Li Chung-jen's chief of staff told me that the difference between this strategy and that practised by the Eighth "Red" Route Army, lies in the fact that the latter holds no district as a base, but keeps moving constantly.

When I pointed out that the Eighth Army holds the Taihsin mountain district he expressed the belief that if the Japanese sent a large force against them there the Eighth Army would move west.

This new strategy is not guerrilla warfare. It has all the elements of frontal fighting, flanking and defence movements, and mobile attacking units as well as guerrilla troops are included in the scheme.—United Press.

Chinese To Cross

Hwai River

Isuehwa, Feb. 18. The Chinese forces on the southern sector of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway recaptured Hsiao Pengpu and Tsaochoi on the northern bank of the Hwai River yesterday, and are preparing to cross the river to counter-attack the Japanese on the southern bank.

During their retreat across the river at Hsiao Pengpu yesterday morning the Japanese troops suffered many casualties as a result of the destruction of all their pontoon bridges by Chinese gunfire, whilst Japanese losses on the northern bank of the river during the last few days are estimated at about 3,000.

After the withdrawal of the main body of Japanese troops from the northern bank of the river, those left at Hwaiyuan are said to have been placed in a precarious position. Chinese forces have reached Shang-kiaochi, a point only about five miles from Hwaiyuan and are preparing to storm the city at any time.

Still Encircled

Meanwhile, Tingyuan on the left bank of the railway, south of the Hwai River, which is now in Japanese hands, has been encircled by the Chinese forces. Shuangchiao, east of Tingyuan, was recaptured by the Chinese on February 15.

On the northern sector of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway the Chinese are still encircling Liangshiatien where another abortive attempt was made yesterday by the Japanese to break the siege. However, at Tsowhsien the Japanese succeeded yesterday in pushing the Chinese back some distance in a fierce onslaught with the assistance of large reinforcements from Yenchow. The Chinese are now maintaining positions at Tachshan, to the south.—Central News.

Wushing, Changhing

Encircled

Kwangteh, Feb. 18. Both Wushing and Changhing have been encircled by Chinese forces, according to reports received here.

After smashing the first and second Japanese lines of defence at Linshengkuo and Hungshikiao, the Chinese forces advancing on Wushing are now only five kilometres from the city whilst those attacking Changhing besiege the city on the west, south and north sides, the reports state.

Three squadrons of Chinese planes effectively bombed Japanese troop concentrations at Wukang, a town between Wushing and Hangchow, yesterday morning. About 10 bombs were dropped on the Japanese, inflicting many casualties.—Central News.

Japanese Advancing

On Hofei

Shouhsien, Feb. 18. Japanese units pushing westward from Chuanchiao in east Anhwei by the Chuanchiao-Hofei highway have been halted near Kunnchilapa, some 80 kilometres east of Hofei, but another batch of Japanese vanguards has reached Changchwei, north-west of Kunnchilapa. It is believed that the objective of these Japanese troops is Hofei, the important central Anhwei town.—Central News.

Guerillas Attack Chucheng

Hsuehwa, Feb. 18. Chinese mobile units have made several surprise attacks on Chucheng in east Shantung during the last few days, according to military reports. On one occasion, the reports state, the Chinese guerrillas succeeded in breaking into the walled city and engaged the Japanese in street fighting.—Central News.

LORRY DRIVER

TO PAY \$50

TO WIDOW

A fine of \$100, with an order that \$50 be paid to the deceased's widow, was ordered by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, when Wong Yuk-long, 27, lorry driver, appeared on remand. Wong was found guilty of driving without due care and caution at Connaught Road West, near Water Street, on January 23.

It was stated that Wong whilst attempting to overtake another lorry, he knocked down a child named Chan Chiu, who died at the hospital. Traffic Inspector S. C. Saunders presided.

AUSTRIAN CRISIS HAS WIDE REPERCUSSIONS

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were not prepared to vigorously object to an enlargement of Nazi influence in Austria.—United Press.

Initiating Reforms

Berlin, Feb. 18. Herr Seyss-Inquart, one of the Nazi "strong men" of Austria who has been elevated to Cabinet-rank as a result of the pressure put on Dr. Kurt von Schuschnigg, is here to confer with Herr Adolf Hitler. He has mapped out his programme. It is understood that it entails intense "nazification" of Austria in every field, including the military, political, economic and cultural.

It is understood the programme was further elaborated following Mr. Seyss-Inquart's revelation that apparently the danger of forceful resistance had disappeared. Well-informed quarters state that Vienna has agreed to permit 1,000 Nazis who had fled to Germany to return to Austria.

Herr Seyss-Inquart has conferred with Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, the new German Foreign Minister.

It is believed in Vienna that Herr Hitler is subjecting Dr. Schuschnigg to constant pressure to force Austria's withdrawal from the League of Nations, to engage her participation in the anti-Comintern pact to co-operate in Germany's four-year economic plan and to agree to an Austro-German customs union.—United Press.

Nazis Quelled In Prague

Prague, Feb. 18. Nazis attempted to disperse a meeting of Social Democrats in the Karlsbad Hotel last night.

Police intervened. In the fight which ensued a Nazi deputy, Herr Wollner, was seriously injured. Twenty Nazis were arrested.

The meeting was then permitted to continue.—United Press.

Mr. Eden's Statement

London, Feb. 17. The House of Commons again displayed great interest at question time in the new Austro-German agreement. Answering the opposition leader, the Foreign Secretary said he had received certain information regarding it, but as the terms had not yet been made public, he was unable to give any detailed information to the House. He hoped to be in a position to make a statement at an early date, perhaps to-morrow.

Mr. Eden added "Meanwhile, in view of statements in the press, I should perhaps add that His Majesty's Minister in Vienna was informed of the proposed meeting between the Austrian Chancellor and Herr Hitler on the eve of the meeting itself. The views or advice of His Majesty's Government were not invited in connection with that meeting. While at the present moment I am not in a position to estimate the exact effect of this agreement, His Majesty's Government is following the developments with close attention, and His Majesty's Ambassador in Berlin has already been instructed to indicate to the German Government the interest His Majesty's Government takes and has always taken in the Austria question."

Ready For Consultations

Asked by Mr. C. Atlee to clarify his remarks yesterday about the Sreca declaration, Mr. Eden said: "I stated that the declaration about the integrity and independence of Austria was reaffirmed by the Sreca conference where the machinery was agreed for consultation. Perhaps I should make it clear, so far as His Majesty's Government is concerned that it has been and still is prepared for such consultations."

He declined to answer without notice, another supplementary question of the Labour Leader's about Czechoslovakia but declared: "I should like to assure the House that this country has always had the friendliest of feelings towards the Czechoslovakian nation, and is fully aware of the treaties which bind Czechoslovakia to the other great powers."

Mr. Winston Churchill then enquired about the League of Nations duties and responsibilities in respect of Austria's independence. Mr. Eden admitted there was that aspect of the question remarking: "At the same time it is our view for the particular circumstances of the Sreca declaration that we are willing to act with others but we do not think it lies with us to take the initiative."

Asked by the liberal M.P., Mr. G. A. Mander if the Austrian Government had asked the British Government what measure of support, if any, would be granted to them if it resisted the German demand, Mr. Eden replied: "I thought my answer made clear no such suggestion was ever made to His Majesty's Government." In a final reply Mr. Eden told the House he was in consultation with the French Government.

Austrian Minister Sees Eden

The Austrian Minister called at the Foreign Office to-day and saw the Foreign Secretary. It is assumed that Baron Frankenstein would be in a position to supplement the information which His Majesty's Government had already obtained as a result of enquiries made earlier in the week in pursuance of the normal diplomatic practice by His Majesty's Ambassador and Minister respectively in Berlin and Vienna, regarding the conversations between Herr Hitler and Dr. Schuschnigg and the new Austro-German agreement.—British Wireless.

TRAMWAYS MAKE BIG PROFITS

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carried during Jubilee week 1935 by 323,000 or nearly 38 per cent. Owing, however, to the higher fares prevailing in 1935 the receipts for Jubilee week were higher by \$2,262 or 4.6 per cent. than during Coronation week.

Compared with 1935 last year's receipts were higher by \$305,530 whilst the car-miles rose from 3,051,045 to 4,124,416 or by approximately 35 per cent.

The year's net profit rose by \$220,094 or a fraction under 42 per cent.

Except for the Coronation festivities it is to the abnormal traffic during the last four months of the year that we must look for an explanation of these remarkable figures. Other people's troubles are largely responsible for the benefits that have accrued to us. These benefits will not last.

CONSTANT INFLUX

Since August 10 last when the Rutenana arrived with the first shipment of refugees from Szechuan there has been a constant influx of people into the Colony both from the North and from Canton.

In 1936 we carried less than 35 million passengers. We are now carrying a million per week.

There were, indeed, no less than 17 ordinary weeks during the last 4 months of the year in which the mileage carried by tramcars exceeded the number carried during Jubilee week 1935.

Though I have tried to make it clear that this heavy traffic is abnormal and that the majority of the visitors now in the Colony are transient, your Board has, nevertheless, decided to order six additional tramcars. This will bring our fleet to 103 against a fleet of only 97 in 1922.

Although this may mean an excess of rolling stock over maximum requirements later on, we must—as a public utility company—be in a position to cater for the peak load on all occasions.

NEW DEPOT PLANNED

In 1933 you were told that the Board had purchased a valuable site in the Quarry Bay area. Last year your Board seized the opportunity to acquire the adjoining piece of land which rounds off the property and makes a total area of 63,000 sq. ft. Ultimately this piece of land will have road frontages on all four sides. Part of this land is to be utilised for the erection of a subsidiary tramcar depot and it is hoped the building will be completed before the end of the present year.

I have been asked by a shareholder to explain the royalty position. This was mentioned in the annual speech in February 1938, and again in February 1934 but perhaps the position might be explained afresh.

As you are aware, from October 1930 the rate of royalty payable to the Hongkong Government increases from 5 per cent. to 25 per cent. on the working profit. In the accounts, \$68,000 has been written off annually against Goodwill and Construction Expenses which will have become extinguished in 1938. This charge together with the appropriation to General Reserve and the regularly debited in Profit & Loss Account at least some part of it will, thus be available from the time that our increased royalty becomes effective.

In other words preparation for the increased royalty—the first full year's payment of which will not be made until February 1941, for 1940—has for many years been kept in mind by your Board who have framed the financial policy of the Company to ensure as far as is possible that the larger payments after 1940 will not prove a disturbing factor in future accounts.

IMPROVED YIELD

During the year a further \$268,730 have been invested but no additional revenue comes in until next year. In the meantime the yield from investment has not only been maintained but shows some improvement.

Investments now total \$1,504,745. Taken at the depressed conditions under which 1937 closed the stock market valuation noted in the Balance Sheet is 15.3 per cent. under cost. Some improvement in prices since December 31 has however, been seen and the percentage of difference to-day is less than 12 per cent. This difference is very slight when set against the General Reserve.

Capital expenditure carried out during the year amounted to \$108,200, this largely in respect of new rolling stock. The additional amount of \$17,186 under the head "Other Property" refers to the purchase of new plant at King's Road, the site of the subsidiary tramcar depot already mentioned.

Depreciation has been allowed on the usual full scale and with it the annual appropriation of \$60,000 written off Goodwill and Construction Expenses.

A transfer of \$100,000 (as in 1936) to General Reserve will also be noted. The General Reserve Account now stands at \$1,000,000.

An Interim Dividend of 30 cents a share ending \$155,000, was paid in August last. The House now recommends a Final Dividend of 60 cents a share amounting to \$300,000. Thus in 1937, 90 cents has been paid for the whole year as against 60 cents for 1936 and the balance of

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COME AND GET IT!

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COMING SHORTLY TO HONGKONG

Barney Glasgow, once a shanty boy, married Jimmy Louise Hovatt, his boss' daughter, and became the most powerful lumber baron in Wisconsin. At fifty Barney became desperately infatuated with Lotta Hovatt, the nineteen-year-old daughter of his old friend, Swan, Lotta's daughter, was in love with a mill hand and Richard, the son, in an attempt to get Lotta out of his father's way had fallen in love with her himself. Treasures of this were Barney and Swan.

Chapter Six

Barney entered the darkened house and mounted the stairs two at a time, hoping to find Jimmy Louise still awake. She was. Before reaching the subject uppermost in his mind he decided to tell her about Lotta and Tony. As he expected, she took it badly. "Aren't you going to stop it?" she cried indignantly. "You can't stop a thing like that—not when two people really love each other. No, Barney Louise, let her alone. He braced himself and continued with quiet force, "She's not going to marry the same mistake you and I did."

Jimmy Louise looked at him with startled eyes, hardly daring to understand. "I want a divorce," he went on. "I'll give you anything you want—



"Lotta and I are gonna be married," Richard began.

all the money you can spend—you can write your own check and I'll cash it. It's all kept quiet—no scandal, no—

"Bernard Glasgow, you're crazy!" Jimmy Louise's face distorted with fright. "Are you in love with someone? Is it that girl of Swan's? Are you trying to trade an old wife for a new one? You're another of those silly middle-aged rich men that want to marry a young girl and be made a fool of."

"I'm asking for freedom, Jimmy Louise," Barney said evenly. "You're a fool. You're an idiot. You married me and a fortune with me. You never cared for me, did you? Answer me!" Then, as Barney said nothing, she continued hysterically, "Don't say that! I know it's true. I've always known how you felt. But I loved you—you could never understand loving like that—I was like a dog crawling after you."

"I'm terribly sorry," Barney said almost in a whisper. "Don't do this to me," she begged. "I know you'll leave me if you want but I'll never give you a divorce—never! You'll never marry that girl if I can help it!"

Barney looked at his wife in anger and contempt. What was the matter? He stared at the door, his feet dragging. Behind him there was a sharp cry. Her hands outstretched, trembling, Jimmy Louise came toward him. She was sinking to her knees. He caught her quickly, roughly. She looked at him with terrible, tragic eyes.

"You're all I've got—all I've ever had in the world. Don't care who else marries—if you'll only stay with me. If you say yes all right, it's all right with me—everything you say I won't leave me!"

Sinking into a chair, Jimmy Louise buried her head in her arms and began to weep in long, tearing sobs. A torrent of pity welled up within Barney, pity so great that even his resolve was shaken. With awkward gentleness he put his hand on her shoulder and walked from the room.

The Glasgow house was filled with wedding guests. Lotta and Tony were being married. When the ceremony was over, Jimmy Louise looked at Tony with love and pride shining in her eyes; her dream

had come true at last. Jimmy Louise embraced Lotta with tear-filled eyes. She kissed Tony. They looked so happy, she couldn't help crying just a little. Mrs. Schwabe smiled at Lotta in her simple, motherly arms. Swan, Lotta and Lotta crowded around and wished the couple happiness.

When Lotta had changed into her traveling dress she stopped at Richard's room expecting to find Tony there. The door was slightly ajar and she suddenly stopped, paralyzed by what she saw. Richard and Lotta were standing in the middle of the room, locked in each other's arms. They were completely oblivious of her presence.

Evie walked quickly down the stairs and detached her father from a circle of smiling friends. She kissed him tenderly.

"Do me one more favor," she said. "I left my bag with the railroad tickets up in Richard's room."

Barney chuckled and went upstairs. At the threshold of Richard's door he stopped dead in his tracks. Richard was kissing Lotta with passionate adoration. At the sound of his entrance they turned, their arms still entwined. Barney's face was terrible to behold. His mouth hung open and he was breathing like a man who had been running without a wind.

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TO-DAY IN HISTORY

Spark That Started The Spanish-American War

IN February, 1898, the Spaniards were still wearily trying to reduce their refractory Cubans to order. Cuba, as the last fragment of their great American Empire, was very precious to them and they were most reluctant to allow her to go the way of the other colonies from revolt to independence.

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They went on to make a number of interesting and—to the Americans—highly irritating suggestions as to what could have caused it. Spontaneous combustion in the coal bunkers, age of the Maine being fixed by perhaps, or an accident in the magazine, or the generation of gas that in a watertight compartment, or was placed at the spot where some carelessness in leaving inflammable materials about.

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The Maine arrived in Havana to find a chilly reception. The Spaniards, in their indignation, had exaggerated her size and armament. Actually she was a second-class battleship of 6,822 tons, carrying four ten-inch and six six-inch guns.

The authorities of Havana were friendly polite to her commander, Captain Sigbee, and his officers, and no more; the population was not always even polite. Passengers in a ferry-boat boomed and cat-called as they crossed the Maine's bows, and when Captain Sigbee attended a bullfight, he was received by a battery of black looks.

However, the Americans had not been expecting bouquets and took these outbursts in good part. On the evening of February 15 all was quiet aboard and in the city. It was a heavy, rather breathless night, following a hot, sunless day. The wine had been still full of people when at 20 minutes to ten something happened which sent everyone hurrying to the water's edge.

A report, as though a sporting gun had been fired, was followed by a tremendous explosion, and from the spot where, a moment before, the Maine had been lying at anchor, a great column of flame and smoke rose skywards.

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the truth? The question is important. If the Maine was blown up by the Spaniards the Americans could scarcely be blamed for their drastic action; but if the explosion was internal American intervention was unjustified.

There can be little doubt as to how the Maine was destroyed. In 1911, at immense expense, the wreckage was brought to the surface and examined. The most important discovery was a curved bottom plate, which indicated, almost beyond question, that at this point the Maine had come in contact with a mine.

Immediately above the plate was the six-inch magazine, where black powder was stored, which must have been ignited by the explosion.

There are of course, two sorts of mines, those which explode on contact and those which are controlled by electric cable. Since the Spaniards would hardly have scattered the first sort in a harbour full of shipping, the Maine must have been destroyed by one of the second.

When the Spaniards declared that they could find no trace of an electric cable in the harbour, they were lying and knew that they were lying.

FROM Spanish sources it is clear that the harbour of Havana was protected by mines, 180 of which had been sent out from Spain the year before. The anchorage was fixed by the port authorities. It is probable that the Maine was controlled by electric cable in the harbour, they were lying and knew that they were lying.

To this day no one knows how or by whom that mine was fired. The secret is perhaps locked away among records at Madrid; or perhaps it was thought wiser that there should be no documentary evidence.

But the Spaniards must have discovered the true cause and tried to conceal it.

It can scarcely be supposed that the authorities themselves were so mad as to fire the mine. But it may be that on the night of Feb. 15 some one obtained access to the electrical gear controlling the mines in the harbour. He saw, by the dropping of a shutter, that the Maine had swung round until she was in contact with a mine, and he could not resist the temptation.

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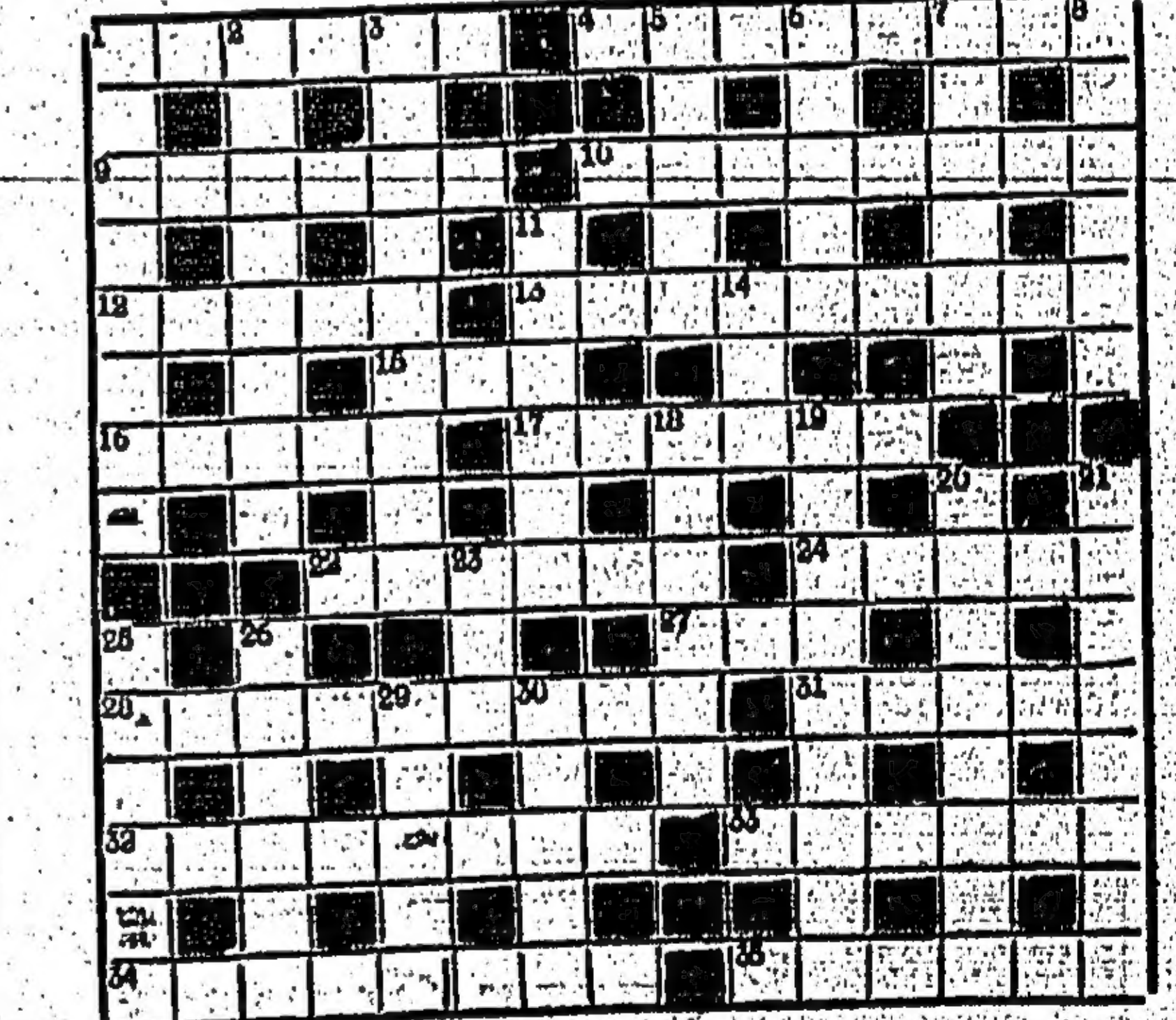
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ACROSS.

- In business I make extravagant talk (6).
- Acted telling little Edward what sort of performance it was (6).
- Approach (6).
- An indoor game with an onomatopoeic name (8).
- "For I who hold sage—'s rule the best, welcome the coming, speed the parting guest" (Pope) (6).
- Descriptive of perfect service at tennis (6).
- Bird (3).
- English girl who is always in France (6).
- Material from a flame (6).
- Heraldic metal (6).
- Town of Belgium (6).
- Bird (3).
- This man might be of use in two capacities on a cattleboat (6).
- River of France (6).
- Langid like a lady who has lost her shopping memoranda (8).
- This knight was a British dramatist (6).
- Evidence of underground excavation (6).
- Experienced, not necessarily in poetry (6).

DOWN.

- If this useful work was not straight, it would be cheating (6).
- Town to be found in Yorkshire or Surrey (6).
- Time when a ship usually departs (6).
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- When you have lost your way it is pleasing to get this direction (5).
- Useful to the planter (6).
- Summary (6).
- On fire of course, obviously (6).
- Always to be seen in a pleasant landscape (3).
- A new idea is obvious (6).
- A stage flower (6).
- Bravo advice to the timid (6).
- This English town shows where to cross the river (6).
- Vapour (3).
- Shelter (6).
- Plant that is used for dressing cloth (6).
- Masculine name (6).
- This town of Mesopotamia is made from a slum and nothing more (6).

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

1. The answer to the first clue was 'Landscape'.

2. The answer to the second clue was 'Cheating'.

3. The answer to the third clue was 'Yorkshire'.

4. The answer to the fourth clue was 'Surrey'.

5. The answer to the fifth clue was 'Direction'.

6. The answer to the sixth clue was 'Planter'.

7. The answer to the seventh clue was 'Summary'.

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13. The answer to the thirteenth clue was 'Town'.

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15. The answer to the fifteenth clue was 'Vapour'.

16. The answer to the sixteenth clue was 'Shelter'.

17. The answer to the seventeenth clue was 'Plant'.

18. The answer to the eighteenth clue was 'Masculine'.

19. The answer to the nineteenth clue was 'Town'.

20. The answer to the twentieth clue was 'Slum'.

21. The answer to the twenty-first clue was 'Nothing'.

22. The answer to the twenty-second clue was 'More'.

23. The answer to the twenty-third clue was 'Direction'.

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26. The answer to the twenty-sixth clue was 'Fire'.

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38. The answer to the thirty-eighth clue was 'Slum'.

39. The answer to the thirty-ninth clue was 'Nothing'.

40. The answer to the fortieth clue was 'More'.

41. The answer to the forty-first clue was 'Direction'.

42. The answer to the forty-second clue was 'Planter'.

43. The answer to the forty-third clue was 'Summary'.

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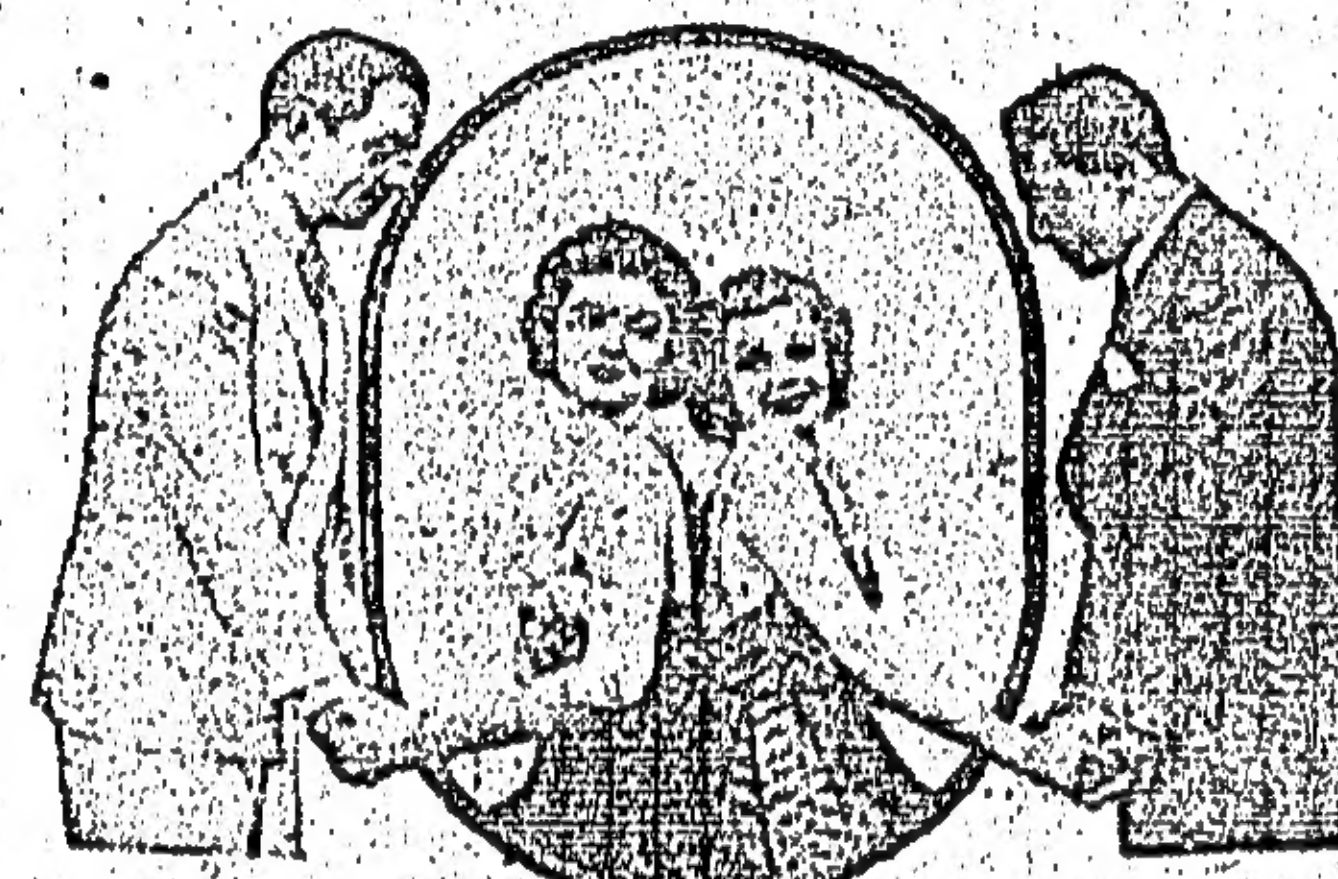
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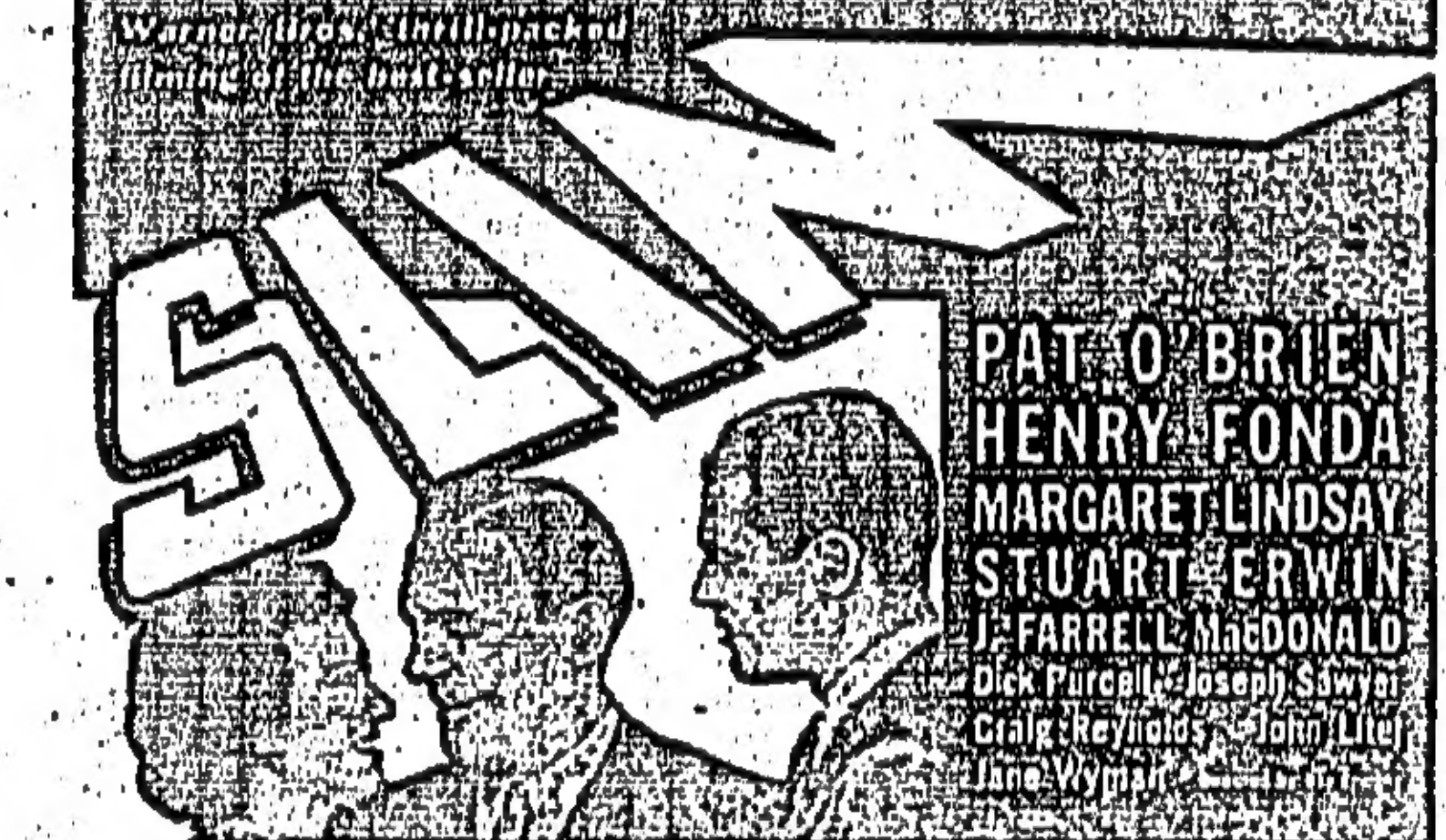
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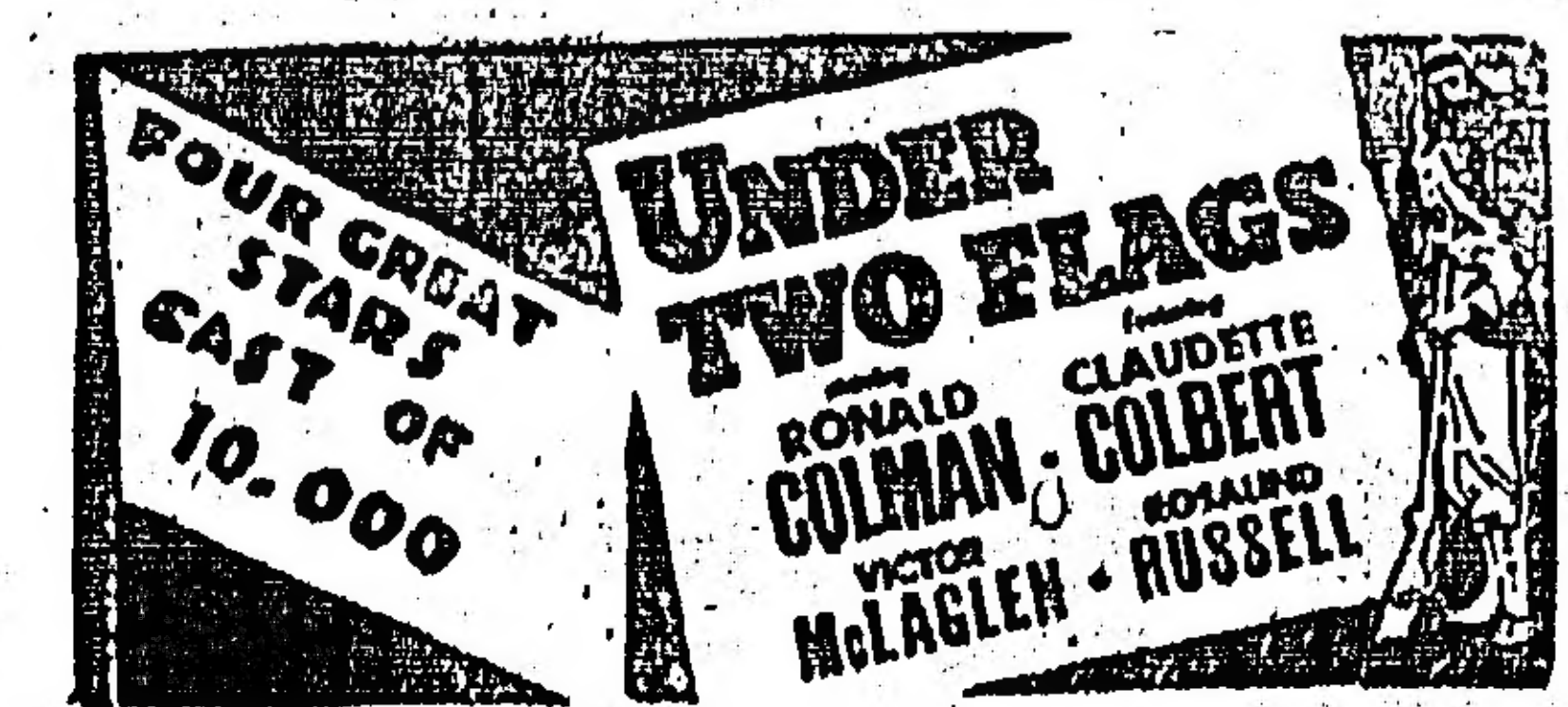
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TO-DAY and TO-MORROW



New Political Move Made In Austria

Seyssinquant's Visit To Germany

Berlin, Feb. 17.
The French Ambassador made his first visit on Herr von Ribbentrop, new German Foreign Minister to-day, after which it was announced that all foreign questions concerning France and Germany were discussed. It is understood that the Austrian question was also raised, and the German view stressed that the recent developments contributed to the strengthening of peace.

Great expectations are entertained here in connection with Herr Seyssinquant's appointment as Minister of Public Security and Federal Leader of the National Political Department. It is reported that he is uniting the police force and Ministry of the Interior under the one administration which is generally regarded as the most important development, next to the amnesty which was granted.

The first visit Herr Seyssinquant made in Berlin to-day was to the chief of the political police, after which he saw Herr von Ribbentrop before he was received by Herr Adolf Hitler. Herr Seyssinquant's visit to Berlin is described as being unofficial.—Reuter.

NEW NAVY WILL COST AMERICANS MILLIONS

Programme Requires Staggering Sum

Washington, Feb. 17.
Rear-Admiral Dubose, Chief of Naval Construction, testified to the Naval Affairs Committee to-day that President Roosevelt's naval expansion programme would cost over \$1,000,000,000.

He estimated that 40 warships would cost \$731,000,000, that 22 auxiliaries would cost \$240,401,000, and that mine-sweepers and tenders would cost a further \$572,000. These estimates were exclusive of the cost of 1,000 fighting planes.

He explained that the United States navy had no plans for materially changing the size of the two 35,000 ton warships provided for in the 1939 Navy Supply Bill.

Members of the committee pointed out that only a relatively small portion of the \$1,000,000,000 would be expended in 1939.—Reuter.

Wharf And Godown Co. Paying Well

\$8.50 Dividend For Year's Operations

The Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd. report that, subject to audit, the balance at profit and loss account for the year ended December 31, 1937, is \$858,788.51 which together with \$208,623.19 brought forward from the previous year makes a total of \$1,067,411.65 available for appropriation.

While this company has benefited from abnormal conditions which existed in the latter part of 1937 the first half of the year had already shown a most material improvement over 1936. No increases in rates have been made since the Far East trouble started.

The directors at the approaching meeting of Shareholders, will recommend the following distribution:

To pay a dividend of \$8.50 per share	\$705,000.00
To transfer to repairs and renewals A/C	150,000.00
To carry forward to next account	240,411.65
	\$1,067,411.65

STOP PRESS NEWS

STOCK EXCHANGE FLUCTUATION

London, Feb. 17.
On the Stock Exchange to-day, gilt-edged holdings after weakening, further recovered sharply. Japanese bonds improved, but Austrians again lost ground. Industrials were out of favour, especially the leaders, while oils reacted sharply to rumours, subsequently confirmed, of a cut of a halfpenny per gallon of petrol.

Commodities and cocoa were active on short-covering and speculative buying, influenced by reports of detrimental rains on the Gold Coast. Base metals, rubber and wheat all firmed up in sympathy with the United States.—Reuter Special.

NO CONSCRIPTION IN PEACE TIME

London, Feb. 17.
The Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, stated in the House of Commons to-day that the present Government would not introduce conscription during peace time.

This reaffirms the pledges given by Earl Baldwin's Government previously.—Reuter Bulletin.

BRITAIN WON'T BAN CHINESE EGGS

London, Feb. 17.
Asked in the House of Commons whether he would take steps to prohibit the importation of Chinese liquid eggs to prevent a rise in typhoid infection from this source, Sir Kingsley Wood, Minister of Health, declined, and added that laboratory examinations of Chinese eggs had not revealed the presence of disease-producing organisms.—Reuter.

GERMAN, JAPANESE TALKS IN BERLIN

Berlin, Feb. 17.
It is semi-officially announced that the Japanese Ambassador conversed with General Goering yesterday on "questions of interest to Germany and Japan."—Reuter.

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